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CHILDISH [illegible]

A Little Girl of Six Survives the Rare Operation of Gastrotomy.

CINCINNATI, Dec 17.—A very rare surgical operation performed upon a little girl barely six years of age was described some time ago. The operation was one of gastrotomy as it is designated in technical vernacular, or, to be plainer, artificial alimentation. The little sufferer had inadvertently drank a quantity of concentrated lye which caused a stricture of the throat. No nourishment could be taken by the child in the natural manner, and as a last resort, the family physician, Dr. N. P. Dandridge, performed the operation of gastrotomy, a very rare surgical operation, and one very seldom successful.

An opening was cut in the stomach of the child through which food was placed. The operation was successful and for the past half dozen months the child improved rapidly, and was fast approaching recovery. About a week since the little patient was stricken with that dread malady of childhood, the measles, and died yesterday. This is a very fair illustration of the irony of destiny—passing the dangers of the rocks of Charybdis, and being wrecked on the reef of Scylla. The extraordinary success of the extremely dangerous operation of gastrotomy attracted national attention in medical circles, and the death of the little patient will be widely deplored by those who knew her heroic fortitude.

An Engineer's Dead Passenger.

RAHWAY, N. J., Dec 17.—The telegraph operator handed to the conductor of the express train from Philadelphia, on its arrival here last night, a telegram from Jersey City, saying "Tell your engineer there is the body of a man on his engine." Upon examining the pilot of the engine, a man's body, terribly mangled was discovered. It has been noticed at New Brunswick, and a telegram was sent from there to the dispatcher's office at Jersey City, whence the above notice was sent back to the engineer. The engineer does not know where he struck the man. The body has not been identified.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE EVENTS AT THE CAPITAL.

The Comptroller of the Currency Makes His Report on the Affairs of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company—His Recommendations—Other Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—A report from the comptroller of the currency, ex-officio commissioner of the Freedman's Savings and Trust company, on the affairs of that institution, was laid before the house of representatives. It shows that on December 4 there was a balance on hand of $7,719. The comptroller makes a strong plea in favor of the government assuming the liabilities of the institution to its depositors.

He quotes at length the reports of his predecessors on the subject, and says: "More than 15,000 depositors had at their credit at the time of the failure of the bank only $5 or less each, and it may be necessary that these should be sought out and paid with as little cost to them as possible while thousands of others have still at their credit amounts so small as to be entitled to a like share of consideration." He says it would seem proper to allow at least three years for the presentation and auditing of these claims, and suggests that January 1, 1890 as a term of final liquidation. He is inclined to think that the estimate of his immediate predecessor that $1,000,000 would be sufficient to settle all demands is likely to be proved is correct.

In his report the comptroller reflects strongly on the former managers of the institution. He says that the congressional investigation revealed nothing but a hopeless tangle of involved and disputed reckonings. Nearly every man of position and means had withdrawn preparatory to the collapse in 1874 and the fees that remained had never [illegible] adequate attention to the concern [illegible] or inactive managers, says the comptroller [illegible] under strong suspicion of [illegible] criminal [illegible] have yet been taken nor has recovery been attempted through process of the law.

Washington Notes.

The consul of the United States at La Guayra, Venezuela, informs the secretary of state that the president of Venezuela has issued a decree, dated November 23, 1886, closing the port of Maturin and opening that of Cano Colorado to foreign commerce. Maturin is situated about sixty miles inland on the Guarapiche river, a tributary of the Gulf of Paria, and is inaccessible to all except light draught vessels, while Cano Colorado, on the contrary is located near the mouth of the same river, with a port affording secure anchorage to the largest ships.

The president sent to the senate the following nominations: Thomas S Tice, of New York, to be assistant appraiser of merchandise in the District of New York, Frank B Genovar, of Florida, to be collector of customs for the District of St. Augustine, Fla., Erskine M Ross, of California, to be United States district judge for the Southern district of California, J Marion Brooks, of California, to be attorney of the United States for the Southern district of California, also a large number of army and navy promotions.

The house committee on military affairs completed the army appropriations for the fiscal year. It appropriates $23,557,238. The estimates submitted aggregated $25,524,587, and the appropriations for the current year amounted to $[illegible]794,001. Among the legislative provisions incorporated in the bill is a clause limiting the mileage of officers to four cents per mile.

A conscience contribution of $300 was received at the treasury in an envelope postmarked New York City. The sender said he thought the amount due the government on account of his income tax.

The house committee on accounts has reached a practicable agreement on a favorable report to be made on the proposition, to reorganize the force of employes of the house of representatives. The report will be made early in January.

A farewell dinner will be given to Hon Abram S Hewitt by his colleagues of the New York congressional delegation on Saturday evening at Chamberlain's. The only invited guests will be Speaker Carlisle and Messrs Randall, Morrison and Tucker.

[illegible] directed the payment without rebate of the interest—amounting to about $4,000,000—due January 1, 1887, on the four per cent loan of 1907, and on Pacific railroad bonds.

The house committee on rivers and harbors in its compilation of the bill reached Georgia [illegible] and got as far as [illegible]port, S C, on harbors. The amounts [illegible] are not made public.

The senate in secret session has confirmed the nomination of Arthur L Thomas, of Pennsylvania, to be a member of the board of [illegible]tion and election at Utah.

The president has appointed Rev William [illegible] of [illegible] to be a member of the board of Indian commissioners, vice [illegible] Johnson, resigned.

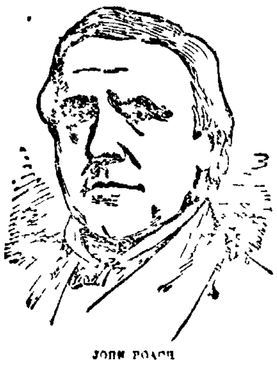
Dakota's State Legislature.

HURON, Dak., Dec. 17.—Nothing special was done in the state legislature yesterday, action being deferred on account of the deliberations of the constitutional convention which was in session all day. This body considered a proposition from the conference committee recommending the repeal of the restraining clause. A majority and minority report was submitted. The discussion was limited on both sides, but the majority report favoring the repeal was adopted. At the afternoon session a resolution was passed greatly to the surprise of all, as follows: That this convention recommends that the state legislature makes provision at its present session for the submission to the people of the state at the general state election to be held in November next. Shall the state government go into operation in all of its departments on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, 1888?" The convention adjourned in the evening to meet here on the first Wednesday in June next. The legislature will probably adjourn to morrow.

HAVERHILL, Mass., Dec. 17.—W A Nib[illegible]k and Alexander H Reed, dry goods merchants, were held for the grand jury for maintaining a gift enterprise under the system of guessing the number of seeds in squashes.

AT DEATH'S DOOR.

John Roach Afflicted With the Malady That Killed General Grant.



JOHN ROACH

NEW YORK, Dec 17.—John Roach is dying. His family have endeavored to keep the critical condition of his health a strict secret for reasons of more than a purely sanitary nature. But at last they have practically given up all hope of his recovery and sit waiting at his bedside to bestow what little comfort they can to smooth his dying pillow. The information of Mr Roach's fatal sickness was conveyed by a relative of the family, and he also stated so much [illegible] was observed that it would not surprise him if the servants declared it to be without foundation.

"But it is nevertheless a fact," he added, "[illegible] judicious inquiry you will find his situation as I have stated. He may only have a few hours to live and again there is a slight chance that he may last for another week."

Silence and solitude pervaded the elegant residence of Mr Roach as a manservant yesterday opened the door and listened to the inquiry of our reporter to see some member of the household.

"[illegible] are all engaged," said the servant, "and I'm forbidden to disturb them." He consented, however, to take a message asking about the health of the noted ship builder. In a minute he returned and said he was instructed to say that Mr Roach was doing well. There was, in fact, nothing unusual in his condition.

As the message was given a gentle pull at the bell announced that some visitor desired admittance. An elderly gentleman with snowy hair came in the hall, removed his hat and overcoat without uttering a word. Then he approached the staircase as one who was acquainted in the house. The reporter recognized him as Dr E B Belden, the family physician of Mr Roach.

"I have just been inquiring about the health of Mr Roach. I understand he is very low," ventured the reporter.

Without learning the exact situation Dr Belden replied, "Yes, he is undoubtedly in a precarious condition since the last operation. I hope he will rest easier to day." The physician went on to say that Mr Roach might die at any moment. There was in fact little prospects of staying the ravages of this fatal malady. Mr Roach is suffering from a cancer in the throat, similar to that which caused the death of Gen Grant. An operation was recently performed at which a considerable part of the jaw was removed, but his sufferings continue to be very severe.

The physician has for the last week called twice a day, and yesterday his visit extended for over an hour. John Roach made an assignment July 18, 1885, to George Quintard and George E Weed. The failure was ascribed directly to the refusal of Secretary Whitney to accept the dispatch boat Dolphin. Mr Roach made an assignment with his workmen as preferred creditors. His liabilities did not exceed his assets and all his creditors were satisfied. Since the failure it is asserted by Roach's friends that he has never been the same. The subsequent acceptance of the Dolphin, however, put Mr Roach on a more favorable footing as far as his reputation as a shipbuilder was concerned.

Mr Roach has had a remarkable career and worked his way up from a poor boy. He was born in Ireland over seventy one years ago and came to this country when a lad. In 1863 the Morgan Iron works became his property. Four years later he bought the plant of Reaney, Son & Archibald at Chester, Pa., and began to build ships. From these two great ship yards 114 iron vessels, representing a business of more than $[illegible] have been sent out. Ninety per cent of the iron vessels now sailing under the American flag, were constructed by John Roach.

He has two energetic, enterprising sons, [illegible] and Stephen W., since the latter's arrival [illegible] majority have assisted their father in conducting the extensive business.

Weavers' Troubles.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 17.—The upholstery weavers, now on a strike, have issued an appeal to the public in which they say that if the manufacturers shown the same consideration to their employes as [illegible] to them, the strike would have [illegible]. The aid of the Manufacturers' association, to which the upholstery manufacturers have referred their case, have not yet taken any action on the subject. The strike at Wilson's mill was amicably adjusted [illegible] this afternoon and the two hundred men will probably return to work in the morning. It is claimed that the whole trouble was due to a misunderstanding between the weavers and the firm.

A Mail Clerk Arrested for Robbery.

MERIDEN, Conn., Dec 17.—For some time letters with money in them have been missing from the Meriden postoffice. W A Kelsey & Co., manufacturers of the Excelsior printing presses, who received considerable sums of money by mail, were the principal victims. Suspicion pointed toward Frank Hess, fifteen years old, who had charge of the delivery window. Yesterday the money order clerk addressed a decoy letter to W A Kelsey & Co., with a marked dollar bill enclosed and it was afterward found on young Hess. He was arrested, but denied taking the letter, alleging that he found it on the pavement and forgot to mention it to the postmaster.

BOSTON, Dec 17.—Henry Stumcke, proprietor of the Carlton House, this city, and who has had charge of various other hotels in New England, died last night, aged fifty-four years.

JOHN DILLON ARRESTED.

HE IS ASSAULTED AND ROUGHLY HANDLED BY THE POLICE.

William O'Brien Shares the Same Fate for Opening Offices and Collecting Rents Under the League's "Plan of Campaign." Two Other Arrests—Foreign News.

DUBLIN, Dec 17.—Mr John Dillon and Mr William O'Brien, attended an immense National League demonstration at Loughrea, which was presided over by Father Cunningham. A large number of clergymen, together with Commoners Harris and Sheehy, occupied seats on the platform, and a numerous contingent of tenants from the estates of Lord Clanricarde, were present among the audience.

Messrs Dillon and O'Brien addressed the meeting eloquently and at great length, and at the conclusion of the speeches these two gentlemen opened rent offices for the collection of rents under the league's "Plan of Campaign." Hundreds of tenants came forward and paid the sums they were willing or able to pay, when suddenly a strong force of police, headed by Inspector Davies, burst into one of the offices, seized the money, books and papers, and arrested Mr Dillon, who was in charge. Mr Dillon remonstrated with Inspector Davies, and was assaulted and roughly handled by the police, unrestrained by the inspector.

The police then proceeded up to the office occupied by Mr O'Brien, arrested that gentleman and seized his books, papers, money, etc. Having secured the principals, the inspector sent a squad of police to arrest Messrs Harris and Sheehy, and the four prisoners were arraigned before a magistrate and charged with conspiracy to induce tenants to abstain from paying the rents, they were lawfully bound to pay, which charge is included in the general one of conspiracy to defraud. The prisoners were remanded for one week. When the police arrived Mr Dillon had collected $400 and Mr O'Brien about $300. Shortly afterward they were released on $1,000 bail each. The leaders of the national league are not disturbed by the arrests and have decided to pursue their present tactics to the end.

The Nation learns that in connection with the question of appointing a British ambassador to the Vatican, Lord Iddesleigh asked that the British government shall have the right of objection to the appointment by the Vatican of dangerous men in filling vacancies in the Catholic sees of Great Britain. To this request the Vatican replied that persons who had rendered themselves liable to the action of the law, should not be encouraged anywhere, nor would they be. The reply further says that the demonstration of the gospel of peace is the object of the church.

The News at London.

LONDON, Dec 17.—The Standard says the arrest of Messrs. Dillon, O'Brien, Harris and Sheehy and others at Loughrea marks the beginning of a death struggle between the National League and the law. The Nationalists imagine that Sir Michael Hicks Beach will shrink from filling the prisons with Irish priests and members of parliament, and it is the duty of the minister to show those crafty schemers that they have miscalculated both their own strength and that of the government.

The Daily News expresses regret that the Nationalists meditate open defiance of the law, and declares that the English Liberal will not countenance outrage, dishonesty and resistance to the law.

The morning Post urges the government to follow up the blow they have struck until the landlords are secure in their rights and peace and order reigns in Ireland.

The Chronicle asks should the direct remedy applied by the government to prevent intimidation and defrauding of landlords, they should apply to parliament for fresh powers.

The Telegraph says the action of the government deserves the unanimous approval of the country.

More of the Stolen Letters Recovered.

BRUSSELS, Dec 17.—A considerable number of the letters stolen from the Ostend express at Verviers a short time ago, were found yesterday in the reading room of the Grand hotel in this city. They were tied in packages and secreted behind a desk. The attention of the police was called to the discovery, and the waiters in the hotel recognized among the photographs in the hands of the police of persons suspected of complicity in the robbery, the likeness of a man who was a guest of the hotel a short time ago.

Foreign Notes.

The West End tradesmen and rate payers of London have sent a petition to the government not to allow public meetings to be held in Trafalgar square in future, alleging that the recent Socialists meetings in that locality had greatly damaged their business, and if the meetings were still permitted to be held there they would seriously injure the value of their property.

The London Times says the government must show that they, and not a secret conclave sitting in Dublin or New York are the government of Ireland. If they will do this they will be supported by the approval of every loyal subject.

Twenty-one of the men participants in the recent Belfast riots, have been sentenced to various terms of imprisonment, ranging from three months to seven years.

The prisons in Warsaw are crowded with Anarchists and Nihilists and continuous arrests are being made. Two of those recently arrested have been hanged.

The farmers in North Wales have expelled the church bailiffs from their farms and seized and escorted them out of the district. More trouble is feared.

Lord Salisbury has granted a reduction of 20 per cent in rent to the farmers on his Hatfield estate.

Germany has annexed several of the Solomon Islands in conformity to an agreement with England.

The warehouses and officers of the Central railway in Utrecht were destroyed by fire to-day.

Tennyson's "Locksley Hall" is meeting with the greatest sale of any of his recent works.

TO BREAK THE COAL POOL.

The Commencement of a Suit That Will Interest All Consumers of Coal.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 17.—A hearing was held by Attorney General Cassidy before a notary public here in the interest of the state against the anthracite coal combination to restrain its members from maintaining a pool. The attorney general was assisted by J Howard Gendell and a score of lawyers represented the various members of the combination. There were present ex-Attorney General Wayne MacVeigh, General Solicitor John Scott, of the Pennsylvania railroad, General Solicitor Kaercher, Francis I Gowen, Samuel Dix and John G Johnston supposed to be looking after the interests of the Reading, M E Olmstead, of Harrisburg representing the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, and a dozen railroad officials including President Roberts, of the Pennsylvania, President Harris, of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, Isaac Wistar, of the Pennsylvania, Senator P Wolverton, of Sunbury, and others.

President Joseph A Harris, of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, was the only witness called. Acting under advice of M E Olmstead, counsel for the company, Mr Harris declined to answer any of the questions of the attorney general. Mr Olmstead said he desired to go on record as calling the attention of the attorney general to the fact that there was filed in the Dauphin county court a motion to vacate the rule under which the examination was proceeding and that Tuesday next had been named for a hearing. He reserved all rights and objected to proceeding under the rule on the ground that it is not properly taken, and that the attorney general is not authorized to take depositions. Mr Gendell said in view of Mr Olmstead's statement, the state would require him to produce witnesses in open court on Tuesday. Further effort on the part of Mr Gendell to elicit information from Mr. Harris met with the repeated response, "I decline to answer."

After a recess of an hour President Roberts, of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, was asked to take the stand. A delay was asked by his counsel, which was granted, and the hearing of the Pennsylvania Railroad company officials was postponed until Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Mr Samuel C Dickson, on behalf of witnesses J H Jones, Austin Corbin, George De B. Keim, Stephen B Caldwell, J Lowry Bell, Samuel G Harris, A J Speese, E. P Wilbur, J Lawber Welsh and A J Drexel, formally declined to allow any of them to be sworn stating they had received the same instructions as had been given Mr Harris. Attorney General Cassidy then gave notice to the defense to produce all their witnesses together with all the papers mentioned in the subpoenas, at Harrisburg, in the court of common pleas on Tuesday next.

Reform Democrats in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Dec 17.—A meeting of Reform Democrats for the purpose of preparing to organize the party was held here. Among those present were ex-Governor William T Hamilton, of Washington county, Gen Bradley, T Johnson, of Baltimore county, John K Cowen, of Baltimore City, Senator J C Lane, of Washington county, and a large number of others from all over the state. Governor Hamilton presided. An address was issued to the Democratic voters of Maryland calling upon all who deprecated the methods of machine politics and political rings and cliques to attend a general meeting to be held in Baltimore on Tuesday, January 11, 1887, to take into full consideration what action may be thought necessary and expedient to be taken in the premises. The address says: "Bribery at election is a growing and alarming evil, and should be suppressed with a firm hand. Equally so with the extraordinary and unnecessary use of money at elections, which can only be intended either directly or indirectly to seduce the voters. Rings, bosses and leadership, and all other combinations within the party formed to promote personal interest or the aggrandizement of individuals are dangerous to the peace, unity and integrity of the party, and should be wiped out."

Financial Troubles in Massachusetts.

ASHBURNHAM, Mass., Dec. 17.—The announcement of the failure of Charles Winchester, of this place, for $500,000, and the possible embarrassment of several banks in consequence, caused a sensation in business circles. Winchester is at the head of a number of New England syndicates who have invested in southern pine lands and western lumber and salt enterprises. His trouble seems to have resulted from too liberal endorsements for friends. Among these for whom he endorsed are Monroe Brothers, of Cleveland, O., $100,000, and Golden Brothers, of Marlboro, Mass., dealers in waste, etc., $46,800. The Boston Trust company has $100,000 of his unsecured paper, the Fitchburg National bank, $50,000, unsecured, the Rollston National bank, also of Fitchburg $100,000, partly secured. The late failure of Monroe Brothers and Golden Brothers precipitated matters. A committee has gone west to see what can be got out of the Cleveland people and the lumber interests. The banks concerned have issued circulars telling depositors not to be excited, and that they will make a full statement in a few days. Mr Winchester hopes to compromise with his creditors.

Habeas Corpus [illegible].

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec 17.—In the habeas corpus proceedings on behalf of James Hope, the bank burglar, Judge Toohey decided that the prisoner must be delivered to the New York detectives, who caused his arrest after he was released from the California prison. Hope's counsel was given until Saturday to take further action. Unless he succeeds in finding some legal excuse for delay Hope will be started for New York Saturday night.

Waiting for Ben Butler.

BOSTON, Dec 17.—The supreme civil court in the case of W W Downs to recover $6,000 alleged to be due him as pastor of the Bowdoin [illegible] church up to January 1, 1887, [illegible], for the plaintiff, asked [illegible] of the absence of [illegible] H W Chaplin, for [illegible] defendant of [illegible] to waiting for Gen [illegible] Butler [illegible] the case to be postponed until Monday morning.

A Light Argument.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 17.—Bernard Kopff, lead manufacturer, has assigned. Liabilities about $51,000, mostly to New York houses. Assets unknown.

BRIEF MENTION.

News of the Day Compressed for the Hasty Peruser.

Maj G Foraker, of Newark, brother of Governor Foraker, is dead.

The members of the Ninety fifth O V I held a reunion at Columbus.

The overdue French line steamer, La Bourgogne, has arrived at New York.

Charles Winchester, of Ashburnham, Mass., has failed for half a million of dollars.

Hon Marshall P Wilder, prominent pomologist and horticulturist, died at Roxbury, Mass.

Bob Wright, who murdered Nellie Bush in Cincinnati four years ago, is under arrest in Montreal, Canada.

Governor Alger, of Michigan, is to give the 487 newsboys of Detroit a new suit of clothes each on Christmas.

The Ohio State grange closed its session at Mount Vernon. J H Brigham, of Fulton county, was elected master.

Two moonshiners, with their stills and appliances for making crooked whisky, were captured in Jasper county, Indiana.

United States Circuit Judge Gresham, at Chicago, appointed Judge Cooley, of Michigan, receiver of the Wabash railway.

Lotta, the actress, has set aside two mortgages held by her against James Matthews, the father of Henry E Abbey's agent.

John T Hewitt, of Roger's Park, Chicago, was knocked down and robbed of $70. His son is said to be an accomplice to the act.

The planing mill plant of the Pennsylvania Lumber company at Ironton, O., was destroyed by fire. Loss, $30,000, insurance, $17,800.

The members of the general mortgage bondholders of the Reading railroad have disapproved of the recent proposed plan of reorganization.

Dr Darby, sent to jail in Lebanon, O., for refusing to give expert testimony in a murder case without a fee, holds to his refusal and is still in jail.

Congress.

In the senate a bill was introduced to increase the salaries of the commissioners of education and labor to $5,000. Mr Van Wyck introduced a resolution to amend the constitution so as to require the election of United States senators by the people of the states, instead of by the legislatures. Petitions of tobacco manufacturers were presented protesting against the passage of the house bill in reference to packing cut tobacco. A resolution was adopted instructing the finance committee to inquire into the propriety of reporting a bill providing a rebate on all imported materials incorporated with domestic materials and exported for sale. The calendar was taken up and a bill passed permitting the owners of American vessels and their cargoes to sue the government for losses caused by collision with United States vessels. Mr Riddleberger's open session resolution went over on objection. The bill to repeal the tenure of office act was taken up and discussed without action until 4:30 p. m., when, after a brief executive session, the senate adjourned.

In the house, a bill was passed making Hartford, Conn., a port of entry, also a bill to pension persons who served in the navy as yeoman engineers, apothecaries and masters-at-arms. Remonstrances were presented against the Dunn free ship bill, the senate bill for the allotment of lands in severalty to the Indians. The urgency deficiency bill for public printing was passed. The sundry civil bill was discussed and passed in committee of the whole and reported to the house, which then adjourned.

Indications.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—For the Ohio Valley. Fair weather, southerly winds, slightly warmer.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Quotations of the Money, Stock, Produce, and Cattle Markets for December 16.

NEW YORK, Dec 16.—Money loaned stringent throughout the morning and is now loaning at ¼@¾ per cent per diem in addition to the legal rate. Exchange quiet. Governments steady.

Currency sixes, 23½ bid, fours coupons, 1[illegible]8, fours and a halfs, 110 bid.

The stock market since 11 o'clock has been feverish and irregular. A raid on St. Paul was the only incident of moment. The prices gave way sharply and the whole list went off fractionally. At the time of writing figures are off ½ to 1¼ per cent except for Chattanooga and Manitoba, both of which are 1 to 2 per cent higher.

Bur & Quincy	134	Mich Central	95¼
Canadian Pacific	67	Missouri Pacific	10[illegible]
Canadian Southern	60¼	N Y Central	114⅜
Central Pacific	4[illegible]	Northwestern	112
C C C & I	6[illegible]⅝	Northern Pacific	[illegible]⅜
Del & Hudson	100⅝	do preferred	60
Del Lack & W	134⅝	Ohio & Miss	[illegible]⅜
Denver & Rio G	32¼	Pacific Mail	4[illegible]
Erie seconds	[illegible]	Reading	[illegible]¼
Illinois Central	130	Rock Island	121⅛
Jersey Central	51	St Paul	[illegible]
Kansas & Texas	30¼	do preferred	1[illegible]0
Lake Shore	14⅞	Union Pacific	60⅛
Louisville & Nash	6[illegible]	Western Union	69¼

Cincinnati.

FLOUR—Fancy $3 75@4.10, family, $3 35@3 65.

WHEAT—No 2 red, 78@79c. No 3 [illegible]

CORN—No 2 mixed 37½. No 2 mixed 3[illegible]

OATS—No 2 mixed 30@30½. No 2 mixed, 30@30½c. No [illegible] 33.

PORK—Family [illegible] regular, $11 50@11 6[illegible].

LARD—[illegible] 16½

[illegible] short rib sides [illegible]c.

CHEESE—[illegible] to choice Ohio [illegible] 12c, New York [illegible]

POULTRY—Spring chickens, $1 00@1 25, prime fowls [illegible] 1 5[illegible] common [illegible] 1 20 [illegible] 24 per dozen, ducks, [illegible] live turkeys, 6½c.

WOOL—Unwashed medium clothing 26@27c, [illegible] 16@18c, [illegible] washed [illegible] combing 30@32c, [illegible] X and XX, 28@30, fair and [illegible] 17@[illegible]c, tub washed 31@36c, pulled 2[illegible]

HAY—No 1 timothy $11 00@11 50, No 2 $10 00, [illegible] mixed $8 50 [illegible] wheat, oats [illegible] 5 00@6 00.

CATTLE—[illegible] butchers [illegible] 25@4 00, fair [illegible] common [illegible] 50@2 25, stockers and feeders [illegible] yearlings and calves, [illegible]

HOGS—[illegible] $4 5[illegible] fair to [illegible] light [illegible] 3 50 [illegible]

SHEEP—[illegible] common [illegible] lambs, $3 75 [illegible] 4 40@5 00.

East Liberty.

CATTLE—Fair [illegible] common, $[illegible]00@[illegible] 3 25@[illegible] 30 [illegible] 100 head [illegible] shipments [illegible]

HOGS—[illegible] 1,200 head, [illegible] 4 40@4 50, Yorkers 4 20@4 30 [illegible] light, $3 30@3 60.

SHEEP—[illegible] $1 25@1 50, fair to [illegible] 3 00@4 00, common [illegible] 3 20@3 00, lambs, [illegible] 50 receipts 1,500 head, shipments 1,200 head.

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BY reference to telegraphic news in this issue it will be seen that, while the Supreme court has not declared the Dow law constitutional, the majority of the court has given opinions to that effect and the final disposition of the law is settled This practical decision affirms the constitutionality of the tax principle, that tax is not a license, and affirms the constitutionality of legislation making the liquor tax a lien upon the real estate upon which the business is carried on The principle of local option is sustained and local municipalities are assured the right to prohibit or permit the traffic as they see fit The only unfortunate feature of the decision is the apparent partisanship of the court's action the three republicans being for the decision and the two democrats against it

The saloonists who have withheld payment will now have the penalties and tax both and the county treasuries will swell materially with the funds thus collected Some of them are talking of carrying the matter to the U S Supreme court but the step would be unwise, indeed, and they will probably think better The people generally demand a restriction on the liquor [illegible] and the more the Dow law is enforced the stronger will public feeling become in favor of either heavier tax or prohibition

A NEW confederacy of labor unions was organized at Columbus last week and its constitution published to the world But its fundamental principles and objects are not sufficiently developed to judge intelligently of what its general character and influence will be Of course one of its leading objects is to unite the laboring men of the country into an organized body for the purpose of acting together Their constitution recognizes "justifiable boycotts and strikes" If the federation only claims and exercises the same rights as those rightfully belonging to individuals in executing their boycotts and strikes no valid objection can be urged against them But even then their expediency might be seriously doubted But if this new organization shall continue to resort to the illegal use of force, violence destruction of property and life itself, in order to secure their objects it will not have the general approval of society All true reforms must proceed along the lines of justice and acknowledge right in order to make any real progress

FIRE on board a boat is appalling at any time, but when the fire comes in the dead of night, when passengers are slumbering, all unconscious of danger the peril is increased an hundred fold The burning of the steamer "J M White," Monday night, the account of which was published in our telegraph columns yesterday, is an awful example of the terrors of a night fire on a steamboat The river boats at this season of year are usually loaded with cotton, an inflammable cargo, and in addition to this, the Mississippi River boats are apparently constructed with no thought as to reducing the dangers of a fire to a minimum They are lavishly decorated, and the adornments of the cabins and saloons are of a kind that furnish fuel for the flames in case of fire In building these floating palaces, if some of the money used for beautifying the interior of the boats was expended in making it nearer fireproof, the number of river horrors would be reduced

AT the meeting of Ohio State Horticultural society in Dayton fruit crop reports from all over the state were read The general testimony was that the crop had been excellent, but on account of low prices the fruit business had not been profitable Apples had turned out well and, contrary to expectation [illegible] in spite of the curculio plums have been abundant The subject of pruning was interestingly discussed The prevailing opinion was that the cutting should be done close to the stock or limb and about June It should be done early enough to allow the wound to heal before cold weather As to when and where apple orchards should be planted the general opinion was that high ground with loamy soil naturally drained was the best Slopes and hillsides were recommended

GENERAL GROSVENOR is out in a card opposing the consolidation of the spring with the fall election and offers a substitute thus In place of an annual election he wishes the State officials to be elected every two years in November beginning with the year of the Presidential election and then every two years thereafter and the municipal and township officials usually elected in the spring, be elected every two years in the spring which would [illegible] us two elections in two years and avoid the mistake of making the ticket too lengthy The General's suggestions are good They will help to do away with the election a year and [illegible] rest from politics

A DECISION from the post office department to the effect that postmasters must attend to official duties exclusively is likely to wilt the growing aspirations of many who hoped to secure the little office and attend to business also

IT may gratify some of the friends of free trade to know that there will come imported into this country during the year which is to end a couple of weeks hence [illegible] $200 000 000 worth of goods that have not paid any duty A careful examination of the record of imports shows a rather surprising state of facts in this particular There is a supposition that this country taxes heavily every thing that comes into our ports from abroad, but the accounts of the custom houses which close at the end of the month will show that over $200 000 000 worth of goods have come in without paying a cent of duty while that paying duty is but little more than twice the amount of that coming in duty free In other words, of the $650 000 000 or $600 000 000 worth of foreign products that has been brought into this country this year fully one third comes in duty free Of course the bulk of this material thus coming in free is sugar coffee and tea The value of the tea imported during the year will foot up over $1[illegible] 000 000 The value of the coffee imported during the year will be over $40 000 000 and the value of sugar imported free of duty under the treaty with the Sandwich Islands is over $8 000 000

MASSACHUSETTS has fallen into line with Arkansas and Tennessee in the work of persecution and certain men in Worcester are to be tried for working on Sunday after having conscientiously observed the seventh day—Saturday—as the Sabbath Massachusetts has not a very enviable character in the matter of persecution It was in Massachusetts that Roger Williams and others women too—were banished it was in Massachusetts that the Baptists were whipped, it was in Massachusetts that Quakers, and women at that were hanged on Boston Common it was in Massachusetts that women were hanged as witches it was in Massachusetts and only last year, that a man was fined and imprisoned for publicly reading the Scriptures With such a record it would be a wonder indeed if Massachusetts were less willing than any other State to persecute people for worshiping God according to the dictates of their own consciences

MGR CAPEL, the noted Catholic divine who was the lion of the day upon his arrival from Europe some time ago, and to whom numerous banquets and receptions were given in the east, proposes to bring libel suits against the papers that have published reports derogatory to his character since he has been in California Mgr Capel states that the reports originated with the editor of the Argonaut a paper published at San Francisco, who hates the [illegible] and whose attacks upon himself were made through sheer malice

SAM JONES is not as might be inferred from his sermons, an illiterate man He employs slang only to make his sermons effective, and slang is about all there is in them to make them so Recently, he preached a sermon without any slang in it, just as an experiment and it was a flat failure People who went to hear him went away in disgust Without slang and wholesale abuse of his audience, Sam Jones is hardly equal to the average circuit rider in talent

LADY COLIN CAMPBELL, who figures in the divorce case now agitating aristocratic London was a pupil of Sir Arthur Sullivan, and as an amateur played '[illegible] Sailor' in his 'Trial by Jury,' but so long as it is not shown that Lady Colin played "Buttercup" in 'Pinafore,' or 'Little Eva' in 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' it may be that the jury will not decide against her

DR DARNEY'S denial must stand good until some positive proof is given of his service as guard at Andersonville If it transpires that the report is simply a malicious one intended for no other purpose than raising the hostile feelings the one who first gave it currency will be strongly condemned and justly too

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

The Art Reception

The closing exercises of the Art reception was the most elaborate as well as the most enjoyable affair that has taken place in Marion for a long time

Once a year the Art Club gives these receptions and the public show their appreciation of art by patronizing liberally the ladies who work for the accomplishment of a laudable end

The most exquisite pieces of workmanship were on exhibition together with paintings of a high order The screen which was disposed of by the lottery process was drawn by Miss C[illegible] Turney she holding No 477 The Art club is a [illegible] worked [illegible] to accomplish their end and made this reception the crowning effort [illegible] organization

To say that the [illegible] will [illegible] ended [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] Swern [illegible] Miss [illegible] M [illegible] Miss [illegible]

Be[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] FAIR

OUR PROSPECT

A Town of Enterprise of Thrift, of Wealth, of Beauty Situated on the Banks of the Big Scioto, Ten Miles from the County Seat

Nothing since the STAR received an urgent call from Prospect the little village in the southern part of our county which at the east it borders many a weary wanderer who licks the dust and crawls upon bended knees in imitation of his more devout brother the Mohammedan

Let it be understood that Prospect is to the average countryman [illegible] that which Mecca is to the prayerful Mussulman Speak to the villager of this place of love its enchantments its future life or anything which may pertain to matrimony and he will in ninety nine cases out of a hundred sigh a [illegible] sigh roll his eyeball toward the Aztec [illegible] then reverently let them rest on the fair blue sky of our fathers What a volume of intense love does all this bespeak and how unfortunate these people [illegible]

Many a Romeo has found his Juliet ensconced beneath an arbor of grape vines and many a one has done the balcony act in trying to steal one kiss from off the luscious and tempting lips of his Juliet Love has it [illegible] but Prospect seems to be unduly [illegible] One would most naturally suppose that the surroundings of Prospect were those of grandeur and inconceivable beauty that its river surpasses in beauty the far famed Rhine with its castles and ruined palaces that it exceeds in mighty splendor the canons of the Colorado or the picturesque cliffs of the Hudson None of these however does the sweet Scioto rival none of these does she outshine but in unpretentious language its blue and sparkling waters course *their way* towards the Ohio never dreaming possibly that it has on its banks the subject of this article Over its placid waters the youth and the beauty of the village now tread and with an old fashioned sled runner or a modern club skate they drive away the memories of the past to drink forebodings of the future, and revel in the fond anticipations of the present while going at the rate of twenty miles per hour on the transparent ice beneath their feet

Prospect is by far the largest, the most populous and the wealthiest village within the borders of Marion county Its citizens are enterprising thrifty and well-to-do

And the stranger in seeking her counties will find a ready welcome awaiting him Many fine buildings rear their towering forms above the level of the street while its stores are commodious and well stocked Its places of worship are numerous and no man can plead an indisposition when he has at his very door the entrance to a house of God

Prospect has a weekly paper which has been running for some time It has an opera house, more convenient and better fitted than our own Music Hall It has its fire department its bands (two in number), its councilmen and mayor

All the outward indications of a future city are there and kind in sufficient quantities *to set the minds of the most skeptical* at ease

Prospect has had lately a sensation, which to use the country correspondent's expressive phrase has shaken its foundation from center to circumference The land grant patent has become widely known and needs from the STAR no further explanation as the entire thing from beginning to end is a huge and overwhelming hoax

Any person could secure a similar patent for a small amount of money, and the holder in endeavoring to squeeze from the property holders of this village a stipulated sum of money not only failed but also made himself ridiculous However it must be confessed that he caused great uneasiness to exist among the people for a few weeks, as those who were meagerly informed on *matters of this kind were susceptible* and liable to waver

Now the village has resumed its wonted vocations running in much the same manner that it did some years ago It has donned its holiday attire and the giddy maid, and the willing youth look fondly forward to the last week of the old year, and some it can be said anticipate a bright future to open out to them with the dawning of the New Year

Peace and rest be to Prospect She has already exerted herself to an unwonted degree Let her elation of purity chastity and virtue be an harbinger of good to the future generations who will look back through the pages of history and recount the valorous exploits of their forefathers on the green banks of the rippling Scioto

Real Estate Transfers

J T Geddis to Jesse T Geddis 3¾ acres in Tully tp $[illegible]00

[illegible] Smith to Edwin Clouse lot 7 in [illegible] $100

[illegible] Rhoads to Mary E Wynn 75 acres in Salt Rock tp by will

F A Thompson to A H Kling 60 acres in Salt Rock tp $3300

S Harmon to Samuel Wilmeth 53¾ acres in Salt Rock tp by will

Jacob Snyder to Alexander Kribler 30 acres in Montgomery tp $1500

[illegible] Myers to Mary Short [illegible] acre in La Rue corp by will

W I Marsh to Peter Harris out lot 27 in [illegible] $100

J C and E M Walters to John I Smith, 48 [illegible] acres in Big Island tp $5000

[illegible] to Elhanah Coon 100 [illegible] acres in Marion tp $[illegible]

A H Kling to Eliza A Thompson 2 acres in Marion tp $1000

A Gianter to Wm T Owen 108¾ acres in Marion tp $[illegible]

J M Paddock to Belle [illegible] acre in Marion tp $[illegible]

[illegible] Reynolds to Thomas Keber out lots 19 and [illegible] addition to Marion $700

A Dutt [illegible] Ellen and J B Martin lots 57 and [illegible] in Marion $1400

N A and W I Clark to Hannah Clark [illegible] in Marion $1000

[illegible] to Geo W Underwood [illegible] in Claridon tp by will

[illegible] D W Brownlee to Wm Hart [illegible] $1000

[illegible] to Mary A [illegible]

M J Myers to Mary Myers [illegible] acres in [illegible]

[illegible] Hughes [illegible] acres in [illegible]

[illegible] Harris to W [illegible] acres in [illegible] $1150

[illegible] Grant Holloway [illegible] by will

A Hill [illegible] acres in Bowling Green tp $145

Misplaced Confidence

It is always natural for those in moderate circumstances to pity and commiserate with a fellow being *in misery or distress* and the public at times is not slow in generously and the afflicted [illegible] a helping hand to those who need it

It frequently occurs that the public is misled in regard to a genuine case of affliction and it is sometimes the case that the public in their endeavor to help along in this world one who has had misfortune and seem sorry to give their money to an unworthy object and for a fruitless cause

A case of this kind came under the observation of the STAR a few days ago one which at the time elicited not a little pity among those who were appealed to

An old man possibly fifty [illegible] years of age bent crooked and if one was to judge *from appearances* in the last stages of decomposition His right arm was in a sling having had two of his fingers amputated On his forehead was a frightful gash and and his whole exterior appearance was that when he appealed for aid one could not conscientiously refuse him

He sold lead pencils coming on two for fives for ten cents each and not infrequently received as high as fifty cents for them *In this manner* he worked the town and did it most successfully too

After he had made quite a raise he repaired to a saloon and spent all that he had made during the day for whisky He was seen on the streets in a muddled condition but the arm which he carried in a sling was not now in the least injured By a singular device he so contrived it that the real arm was not visible to the eye [illegible] was a substitute an artificial arm nicely covered and made to resemble a [illegible] and maimed limb

It is unnecessary to further dwell upon this case and it would be well if the public would be more careful on whom they bestow gifts They may [illegible] a worthy object and repay it by helping an unworthy one but a person who is worthy the pity of the public is seldom seen traveling as an itinerant

Prospect

George F Watson F A McKenzie and W T Robinson were at Columbus Wednesday

Minnie Starr the elocutionist from Marysville gave a recitation at the Opera House Tuesday evening

Miss Kate Sells of this place and [illegible] W Yant [illegible] of Columbus will be married Wednesday evening, [illegible] at the M E church at 7 [illegible]

Henry Ackerman [illegible] Marion was here Wednesday

Smith & Stukey will hold a [illegible] shooting and raffling match in the David Grist woods south of town on December 24 Among the many things to be shot for will be a dressed hog

The Y P S club will meet at Miss Emma Gast's Friday evening

Watt Watkins left yesterday for Zanesville

Wm Powell and [illegible] Noble were at Delaware yesterday

Miss Callie Barnhart left yesterday for Columbus where she will visit her sister, Mrs Davis through the holidays

Miss Ada Decker of Marion is visiting in town the guest of Miss Agnes [illegible]

Miss Lotta Hull has returned home from Granville where she has been attending school

Joel Osborn is home from the O S U until the holidays are over

Mose Fleming received by express a pair *of ferrets from Wellington O* yesterday

F G Moons of Athens O was at the the Watkins House yesterday

Miss Flo Hoyman and mother who have been visiting at Somerset for the past two weeks returned home last evening

A F Smith was at Marion yesterday

Wm Ward and a man by the name of Lida became engaged in a fight that resulted very bad for Ward Upon investigating *the case it was found that* Lida owed Ward considerable money for rent Ward has repeatedly warned him to get out but Lida seems loth to leave the house Yesterday evening about 4 30 Ward was going down street when Lida called him in and during the conversation that followed Lida called Ward a liar whereupon Ward struck at him but missed his man when Lida retaliated by striking Ward over the left eye cutting a very large gash Ward appeared before Mayor Fouds pleaded guilty to the charge of fighting and paid his fine

There is a young man who has a girl in the east end that should be more cautious when he takes his leave about [illegible]

A very pleasant party and oyster supper was enjoyed by the friends of Miss Callie Keller at the residence of Mr Frank M[illegible] east Water street

Emma [illegible] and Minnie [illegible] of [illegible] wood were out skating in the rink Monday evening

POINTS AND PARAGRAPHS

Well now said a citizen as he complacently surveyed the sun rising in the east well we are now rid of a couple more bad characters in town There is nothing like giving a community a good cleaning once in a while especially when there is such an abundance of [illegible] as has been for some time past infesting infesting our borders [illegible] who are getting [illegible] have at one time or another [illegible] with *the Bag of Tricks* [illegible] they should have been

I'll venture to say [illegible] precious information [illegible] less than 100 [illegible] of Marion during the last three weeks Why every [illegible] the [illegible] ging [illegible] the feathers [illegible] abiding citizens [illegible]

By the way said the gentleman who was thus [illegible] the STAR [illegible] came of the [illegible] I believe [illegible] street citizen

The STAR [illegible] marshal [illegible] the Probate Judge [illegible]

Well [illegible] never like [illegible] but I do honestly and [illegible] these two [illegible] They should [illegible] of course not [illegible] be sent to their friends [illegible] principles [illegible] their brain [illegible] that every [illegible] the State [illegible] oysters [illegible] try to make [illegible] citizen of [illegible] the first steps of trying to re[illegible] in the [illegible] a word about this STAR it will probably serve to stir [illegible]

We have heard of late considerable grumbling over the fact that but little snow has fallen during the last month The discontent *for the most part lies with the fairer* sex [illegible] more anxious to empty the purses of their male admirers than they really are themselves We beseech the girls not to get impatient as the weather prophets have predicted an abundant fall of snow from now until the first of April [illegible] fall from the heavens

What is the future of Marion [illegible] more frequently possibly than any other question What is the future of Marion?

Its future at present is apparent to the most casual observer Unless things change wonderfully within the next few years Marion will ever remain a country town [illegible] seek to drive [illegible] all form of enterprises [illegible] hugging [illegible] that it was [illegible]

Nothing could be more [illegible] could be more detrimental to the best interests of our town Unless there is [illegible] we are bound to remain in the same position [illegible] but if an enterprising spirit [illegible] bright future [illegible] to [illegible] who were instrumental in bringing [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] We are not [illegible] that [illegible] though that [illegible] vulgar term hung itself

Columbus [illegible] given the reception [illegible] expected and the enthusiasm [illegible] supposed would prevail [illegible] meeting was sadly lacking The Council [illegible] move things along [illegible] climate [illegible] found however that the [illegible] could not be pushed [illegible] the situation was [illegible] people didn't feel [illegible] Cannonball route [illegible] they had [illegible] If something like [illegible] $20 000 nothing will [illegible]

CURIOSITIES OF LIFE

A unique marriage took place in Erie county New York last week The bride was only [illegible] years old while the groom had *reached the comfortable age of* 19

A year old ostrich egg burst in the New Haven Peabody museum the other day with force enough to knock Dr George Baur down The smell was indescribable

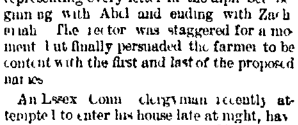
One of the queerest facts in the fire insurance business is that ice houses are classed as "*extra hazardous," and some insurance* companies will not issue policies on them at any rate

Mr Henry Garden, of Lafayette Ind owns a tall eight day clock made sixty years ago on Lucy's run, O, by Jeremiah C Cleveland, an uncle of the president It still keeps good time

A few days ago Park Policeman Holden in New York, saw a horse running away with its rider and being mounted, spurred *on his own horse and started in hot pursuit* A moment later the policeman and his horse were struggling together on the ground The animals had struck together and [illegible] caused the downfall It was for a time feared that Holden would die

A small farmer of Buckinghamshire England brought his child to the parish church the other day to be baptized When the rector asked him to name this child the proud father rattled off twenty six biblical names *representing every letter in the alphabet* beginning with Abel and ending with Zachariah The rector was staggered for a moment but finally persuaded the farmer to be content with the first and last of the proposed names

An Essex Conn clergyman recently attempted to enter his house late at night, having arrived home from New York unexpectedly by boat A barrel under the pantry window offered him an easy mode of entering *and he sprang upon it* His feet had hardly touched the head before it caved in and he found himself [illegible] in a bath of soft soap To extricate himself from his unpleasant predicament he was obliged to call for assistance but before it was rendered he had a narrow escape from being shot for a burglar by a neighbor



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INDUSTRY IN THE SOUT

A TWO WEEKS REPORT MADE
THE BALTIMORE RECORD

The Report Says That Never Before in History of This Country Has There Such a Era of Industrial Developm as We Now See in the South

BALTIMORE Dec 17 —The Baltimore ufacturers Record of December 18, unde had of the gigantic industrial dev ment in the south during the last two w will say that never before, probably in history of this country, has there been an era of industrial development as we [illegible] in the south"

A summary of the reports received b [illegible] from all parts of the south is as [illegible] In Alabama there has been rep [illegible] Land company, capital stock [illegible] to build a manufacturing town [illegible] Birmingham establish water and ele light works and manufacture iron and [illegible] company, with capital rur from $1[illegible] to $300 000, have been o [illegible] at Birmingham for similar wor $3 000 000 company organized at Flo [illegible] to build three large furr A $[illegible] company has been organize [illegible] an old cotton mill a [illegible] At Birmingham there has [illegible] 000 ax and tool comp [illegible] a new rolling mill is to be built [illegible] a $100,000 nail mill and addit furnaces and electric lights and gas w A *Memphis company has been organiz* [illegible] furnaces and mine coal near near [illegible] An old furnace at Round Mounta being put in shape to go in blast again [illegible] factory at Montgomery carriage fa [illegible] a $50,000 electric light com [illegible] a $50 000 water works company at [illegible]

Arkansas reports two smelters, two $ 000 mining companies, and one $5,00 [illegible] a $[illegible]0,000 furniture factory [illegible] works and a number of lu mills Georgia, $60,000 fertilizer com [illegible] to build factories, to build factories at other points, $50 000 [illegible] factory, $5 iron and machine company, plow fa and other enterprises In Kentucky we [illegible] a $300 000 coal and iron company, [illegible] 000 lumber and mineral land de *m company* a $[illegible] carpet com North Carolina [illegible] tobacco, tool [illegible] electric light company, number of large saw mills Tenness [illegible] a $[illegible] stove works, a $5,0 company to manufacture iron and s $[illegible] light and heat company, a $1 marble quarrying company a $100,000 [illegible] light company Texas has a new [illegible] company a $50 000 cracker com [illegible] company [illegible] car seal company [illegible] factory etc West Vir [illegible] oil and gas company $ electric light company and several new *mining companies*

THE DOW LIQUOR LAW

Two Decisions Which Declare Tha Enactment is Constitutional

COLUMBUS O, Dec 17 —Contrary expectations of many the supreme cou peared on the bench and announced opinions, among which were two aff the Dow liquor law The opinion of jority of the court that is Judges Mi Spear and Dickman, was that the Do as framed and enacted by the last g assembly, is constitutional to all inten purposes, and that all litigation *herefrom in the counties of the stat* be settled by a strict concurrence in th visions of the law Chief Justice Ow Judge Follett the Democrats dissent opinion This decision on the constit ality of the celebrated law, will settle mens amount of litigation and wil the funds in the county treasury to sw

The Dow law which substantially re the Scott law, the difference being [illegible] local option clause, provides a tax of upon any person selling intoxicating li and makes several other provisions as separation of the business in respect t ing vinous or malt liquors only For branch it provides a tax of $ 00 C penalties are attached for non pay All interest at once centered in the sy which it was expected would be give However as soon as the judges retired consultation it was announced that th on was not written, and would not b some time during or after the holiday

The Saloon Keepers' association are tioning the advisability of taking the before the United States courts, ground that the law is in conflict w constitution of the United States argument depends on the fact that ers in vinous, malt or spiritous liqu required to pay a license to the gove for running their business They wil that the law is ex post facto,' as m the saloon keepers rented their p years ago and are held responsible [illegible] lease money for years to come, and [illegible] be unable to meet the same and the ta will lose their all

Female Suffragist Celebratin

NEW YORK Dec [illegible] —The ladies committee last night celebrated at th man house, the vote cast by Mrs [illegible] [illegible] Alfred, N Y, under law at the last election Mrs Kate Stearns presided and criticised Ho Hewitt's statement that domestic se the cure for working women's distr said most working women cannot employment and those competent fo kept out by unjust social stigma on cupation The other leading speake Orlando B Potter, Isabella Beecher *Emma Beckwith and Hamilton* Mrs Frank Leslie Dr Clemence, S and there sent letters of regret, an [illegible] favor of woman enfranc [illegible] adopted

The A T. Stewart Estate.

NEW YORK Dec 17 —Ex Judge R[illegible] said today that the heirs of [illegible] Mrs A T Stewart have decided to [illegible] the contents of the Stewart man [illegible] avenue and Thirty fourth [illegible] March Previous to th paintings sculptures bronzes, porcel [illegible] works of art will be placed on the American art gallery on Twen str The collection is even fine generally been supposed according t [illegible] by competent judges who [illegible] examined it. *It will prol* [illegible] years before the Stewart [illegible] finally settled Great care is being [illegible] with the laws regar [illegible] for claims etc

No Doubt About It

Bagley—Say no more Aurelia the match Young Spriggs may be man but he is poor

Aurelia But he is one of the hei great Hogg estate of $64 000 000

Nothing of the sort girl He is [illegible]

Why pa I'm sure he told me t one of the lawyers engaged to de will —Philadelphia Call.

LOCAL NEWS.

—Mrs Thos Mitchel, of Galion, was in the city Tuesday visiting relatives

—Mr Chas Smith returned from Cleveland Tuesday, after an absence of several weeks

—A lot of satins to be closed out for 25c., worth 50c, at Mrs. H Thomas', 3 doors west of postoffice

—Most of the boiler men in the Huber shops are laying off on account of scarcity of boiler iron.

Geo L Stebbins, of Urbana, was in the city Tuesday, visiting friends and renewing acquaintances

—Upper Sandusky Union Miss Mamie Hogan of Marion visited last week with Miss Hattie Noll

Chas Ault and Mary Jenner and Christian Zeig and Lizzie Lauer have been licensed to marry

—A choice line of millinery to be closed out below cost Mrs H Thomas, 3 doors west of postoffice

—General Manager Broughton, of the C. and A, was out over the line Tuesday on a tour of inspection

—A gentleman was in the city Tuesday wanting to figure on a franchise to erect a system of water works

—The N. Y, P. and O will sell tickets at excursion rates during the holidays, at one full fare for the round trip

The amateur dramatic talent of Marion have in preparation a comedy which they will shortly put on the stage

—Upper Sandusky Union Miss Nellie Booth, of Marion, O, is in the city, the guest of her friend, Miss Millie Miller.

The clothing stores commence to keep open their establishments later than eight o'clock from now on, that is in the evening.

—Mary Brooks has been granted a divorce from George Brooks, who was sent to the penitentiary a few terms since for stealing wheat

Clay Sharpless has returned from Toledo, whither he has been looking up a location. He intends removing from Marion in January

The Domestic Manufacturing company, of this city, is listed among the [illegible] concerns of the country, in the Agents' Herald, Philadelphia

—The Huber shops are now working eight hours and a half per day, beginning at a quarter past seven and quitting at a quarter of five

—Sandusky Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, will give its second anniversary ball at City Hall on New Year's eve The invitations are out.

—Upper Sandusky Union Miss Price, who formerly resided in this city, but now of Marion, was in town Saturday, visiting Mrs John August

James A Ketner, commissary of the Black Diamond corps, left Monday night for Washington, D C, to spend the holidays with his family

—The winter weather brings recollections of the gigantic scheme to build an ice sail boat, as was conceived by about twenty Marion youths a few years since

Our Enos Baldwin entertained the [illegible] Monday by a couple of his excellent humorous selections, that evidently pleased the audience immensely.

Plushes, velvets, satins, silks, plumes, tips, fancy feathers, corsets, ribbons, and in fact the entire stock will be sold at prices that will astonish the people, at Mrs. H. Thomas, 3 doors west of postoffice.

—Miss Flo Cunningham entertained the young ladies of Chancel Chapter of the the Episcopal church at tea at her home, on west Center street, Tuesday evening

When looking about for suitable holiday presents inspect Tristram & Young's stock of Christmas slippers They have also just received an elegant new line of ladies fine shoes.

—A large representation of Caledonians were in the city Tuesday attending court. They came to testify in the damage case against the N Y, P and O railroad company

—A D Matthews offers the suggestion that parties in town who expect their groceries delivered should erect hitching posts The idea is a good one, but residents should have hitching posts anyhow

—The public installation of officers of the Masonic Lodge at Prospect on the 27th inst is expected by the residents of that place to be quite an affair Quite a number of our people will go down and enjoy the feast

Merchants are busy preparing for Christmas In no town can one see as fine an assortment of holiday goods as can be seen in Marion, and the merchants of our city know how to display their goods to the best advantage

Mezger's delivery team took a run from Bieber's mill up to the postoffice today, tearing the wagon in bad shape, but doing no other damage There is a suspicion abroad that Mezger has these numerous runaways for advertising purposes

—Engineer James Glenn, of Galion, was in the city to testify in the case of Emma Brownstetter vs the N Y, P and O railroad, damages for the killing of her husband Jim was running the engine that ran over Brownstetter at Caledonia a few years ago

—Saturday evening, between six and seven o'clock three young men in a maudlin state started to drive to their home in the country The horse was urged along so rapidly that in turning the corner at Canal the animal, buggy and occupants were all upset No particular damage was done

Mayor Kelly was over from Caledonia one day and gave information that the [illegible] burglar who worked that place [illegible] last week, has been caught at [illegible] Morrow county A telegram from that place said he was too badly wounded to be brought to Caledonia The Marshal of [illegible] having suspected him, gave chase and, after following the fellow to [illegible] corners, the burglar showed fight and threatened to cut the officer's heart out whereupon the Marshal fired on him and brought him to the ground with a bullet in his cheek The wound is severe, but not fatal

—J. L. Gross, of Mansfield, was in the city Tuesday, looking over the city.

—The Black Diamond surveyors were called to Galion Monday afternoon to complete the survey of the branch franchise to that city The camp and tents were not moved, and when the boys return they will survey a line on the south of Marion to curve around and strike the C and A. at the junction, then they will proceed with the review survey, that they have already begun.

—A young fellow was brought from Caledonia late Monday night and lodged in the action of court The fellow was first arrested at Cardington, on suspicion, as he was trying to dispose of cutlery there, and the authorities took him to Caledonia, where it was found that he was connected with last Friday night's burglaries. Mayor Kelly bound him over. He answers to the name of Harry Boedker.

—The Young Ladies' Literary club gave a very complete birthday surprise to Miss Gertrude Dorward at her home on Gospel Hill, Tuesday evening. Miss Gertrude was invited out to tea and upon returning found her home filled with the Young Ladies' club and their invited guests, numbering in all about thirty persons Refreshments were served and various social diversions led all to pass a very delightful evening.

—The State Board of school examiners hold an examination at Columbus on the 28th and 29th of this month. They issue ten-year certificates to those who pass a satisfactory examination in orthography, reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, English grammar, United States history, theory and practice and Ohio school law They issue life certificates to those who pass a satisfactory examination, in addition to the above, in algebra, geometry, physics, physiology, general history, English literature, rhetoric, civil government, and any three branches that applicant may select from the following list Chemistry, botany, astronomy, zoology, trigonometry, Latin, Greek, German, logic, Anglo-Saxon and early English

Died on Duty.

A sad death occurred on N. Y, P and O train 39, at Claibourne, about 12 o'clock Monday night The train had stopped at that place to get orders and while reading them Conductor James Weadman stood on the engine Without a sign or any previous warning he suddenly fell over on Engineer John Dice, breathed but a couple times and he lay a corpse The startled engineer and fireman quickly carried his lifeless body to the depot, where they found efforts to resuscitate utterly useless, for life was extinct.

The remains of Jim, as the boys all called him, were taken to his home in Galion, on train 12, Tuesday morning, where a suddenly bereaved family sorrowfully awaited the arrival.

Agosta.

We had two weddings Sunday. Steve Berry to Lottie Fink, and Rufus Carr to a Miss Messenger

Sickness is somewhat abating in our vicinity. All cases convalescing, except Jacob Berger, who is about the same.

John Grubb is preparing to move a house that he bought of Hagerman on a lot north of the school house

A child of Capt Gillsby, residing north of town, died of membraneous croup. The remains will be interred tomorrow afternoon at one o'clock in our new cemetery.

Ed Norton is putting up a hitching rack in front of his store today.

This change of weather is severe on weak lungs, and several are complaining.

Not much news.

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Hoodman Blind.

[Syracuse (N.Y) Daily Courier.]

"Hoodman Blind," the production of Wilson Barrett and Henry A. Jones, was presented at the Wieting for the first time last night before a fine audience. The play, which has had a protracted run in London and New York, is a most interesting and thrilling melodrama. The plot is simple, yet strong, and the audience is worked up to the highest pitch of interest and at times excitement. The story has been published in these columns, and it remains to say that the play was enacted in a most effective and capable manner Mr. B F Horning gave a manly, vigorous and pathetic rendering of Jack Yeulett and was frequently called before the curtain Miss Adelle Watters in the dual role of Nance and Jess was most artistic and acceptable. Mr. Bradshaw gave a very excellent portraiture of Ben Chebbies, and Mr James Taylor played the villain to perfection Mr. Mortimer Ruger, a well known Syracusan, played Joe Swirrup in an admirable manner Mr. Ruger has more than exceeded the most confident expectations of his friends He serves in the responsible position of stage manager for the company. The scenes are very fine, especially the view of the Thames embankment, with Cleopatra's Needle. "Hoodman Blind" will be presented again tonight, and no one should miss the opportunity of seeing it

Prospect.

Lester Clune, of Columbus, is here and says his time is "Mohr" limited than usual

Jet Lunger, of Waldo, was visiting his sister, Mrs W C Wottring, over Sunday.

Tom Ware was in town over Sabbath.

The village seems to be overrun with the "gambling fraternity"

Louis Johnson, of Magnetic Springs, came over last Saturday to meet Mrs J. who has been visiting at Findlay for the past two weeks

Curtis left Saturday for Buffolo.

Miss Eva Gast, of Delaware, was stopping over Sunday at home, a short distance below town

Work on the oil well, seven miles east of here, is progressing rapidly They are now 700 feet deep The indications are very promising at this depth. The pumping taken to clean out the hole has large quantities of an oil in the pump.

Miller, Jones & Co sold the old boiler at the old elevators to Mr Johnson, from Radnor, who removed it Saturday.

Miss Fettie Simpson is very sick.

George C Warren will remove his stock of clothing to Warrensburg, where he and his father will carry on the business Prospect will loose a good citizen and energetic business man

Harry Dowell is clerking for Shinn & Stockwell

Night Operator Plantz was at Columbus and Miss Adna Greisinger was at Delaware Saturday

John Cartmell lost a very valuable horse last Friday night by being choked to death.

OUR FARMERS.

THE MARION COUNTY FARMERS' ANNUAL INSTITUTE AT MUSIC HALL.

Despite the Weather the Attendance is Good and Much Interest is Evinced—Full Proceedings of the Entire Session.

The fourth annual session of the Marion County Farmers' Institute convened Monday morning at 10:30.

Miss Cora Wonders, of Pleasant township, played a beautiful march, when Rev A. C. Barnes offered prayer

Mr. William Brocklesby, president of the Institute, then read his opening address He said that "the Farmers' Institute was not for farmers alone, but all, as all were dependent on mother earth for bread and butter Agriculture is the mainspring that sets in motion the business world

"We wage no warfare on other callings for we need all the useful arts and every branch of business that is calculated to accomplish good and benefit mankind.

"Agriculture is one of the oldest and noblest of callings. The city has its attractions, but also its corruptions

"The farmer should call to his aid the best and brightest lights of education and science.

"The time is fast approaching when the husbandman must be educated to attain success. Some of the greatest minds this country has produced were born and reared on a farm.

"No business offers greater opportunity for study and improvement of the mind and the long winter evenings should be spent in useful reading

"The farmer's constant association with the works of Nature are calculated to elevate his thoughts to Nature's God

"The rural home should be made attractive and inviting

"We have met to consider the better cultivation of our fields and the improvement of our herds, and if we treasure up the instruction given by the practical men who address us we shall be better equipped for the coming year

"While we strive to improve our farms and make these fertile plains blossom as the rose, let us not forget that attaining wealth is not the sole aim for which we live, but that the nobler powers of mind should be developed and trained while we follow the business pursuits of life"

A double quartette from Pleasant township, led by Mr. Kleinfelter, enlivened the occasion with beautiful and appropriate music.

Mr L. N Bonham not having arrived the president called on Mr T B Terry, who read and commented on an interesting article on "Dehorning Cattle," by Prof W A. Henry of Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station.

The writer gave an instance in which a vicious dehorned Jersey bull became practically powerless to do injury, but the more practical test was with a dozen 18 months steers, which were dehorned by sawing the horns close to the head. The operation is painful, but not more so than pulling a tooth. Blood flowed profusely, but the wounds healed in a short time, and in a few hours the animals fed and evinced no unfavorable signs of the operation, but on the contrary fattened more rapidly than before. They can be housed in much less space, do not drive each other from their food and five more animals can be shipped in each car.

The speaker was personally acquainted with Prof. Henry and felt that it was safe to follow his suggestions He commended the process especially when begun on calves when the horn is a mere button and not attached to the skull, and hence easily removed.

When Mr. Terry closed his talk on this topic it was found that a half hour yet remained, which he utilized by the reading of a very practical paper on "The Care of Farm Tools." He advised the farmer to build a special tool house for the storage of his implements, claiming that the interest on a building which would cost from $200 to $400 would be much less than the annual loss on exposed implements with the imperfect shelter afforded on most farms The speaker exhibited a drawing of his own tool house, which was a model of elegance and convenience.

About one hundred persons were present and much interest was elicited by the exercises.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

The afternoon programme opened with a stirring song by the choir, after which Mr W. T Owen delivered his admirable paper on "The Farmer a Clodhopper" The paper gives a bright, clear and incisive statement of the various pitfalls in the farmer's path to progress, and we regret that our space will not permit more extended extracts than we give below

The speaker sprang the questions on which are based the usual platitudes about the farmer being the most independent man on earth—the man upon whom all depend for subsistence. When a farmer suffers or is prosperous all other callings are affected in like manner But in spite of all this he is only a clodhopper and he knows it. The speaker referred to his boyhood reverence of men in other business down to the man who sold Sovereign Balm pills This the natural and simple instincts of childhood felt rather than understood he farming was regarded by others Not one business or professional man in ten but entertains this feeling, but treat the farmer with courtesy in the marts of trade with however, the tacit understanding that he is not their equal. When a man is wanted for congressman, legislator or judge, with rare exception he is called from some other walk of life The farmer passes through the weary treadmill necessary to produce a bushel of potatoes for forty cents, while the grocer simply takes them and measures them out and charges from fifteen to twenty cents for his trouble, a task scarcely greater than harnessing and hitching the team The speaker then gives several transactions in which the dealer exercises an unfair and arbitrary trick and advantage in both purchase and sale. He advised the purchase of standard scales so that everything could be weighed at home. He gave a detailed statement of the manner in which the wool buyers would grade wool until he actually made a greater profit in thirty minutes than the man who raised the wool The fruit tree man and his wiles were thoroughly reviewed, telling of farmers' great expectations and consequent disappointment

The festive lightning rod man and the vender of patent rights and the Bohemian oats man all received a thorough overhauling He contrasted the country and city schools and said that the only justification of the country school is that they are only to educate clodhoppers

The picture of toil hardship and sacrifice which the farmer's wife endures was compared with the easier lot of her city cousin But why multiply facts when we have already proven that the average farmer is only a clodhopper It seems that the farmer has been fooled long enough Beware of the sleek tounged fellow who dictates on the independence of the farmer he is only shining you over preparatory to swallowing you

The farmer is harder worked and poorer paid than any other class What remedy is offered for all this?

First, let him arise in the strength of his manhood and demand his rights Let him see to it that his children are able to take the highest rank in education and refinement He should spend means freely for elevation of his family Instead of going crazy for some politician who loves him dearly when he wants his vote and fails to recognize him after election, let him see to it that he is instrumental in elevating only such men to office as will regard and care for his interests Let him demand of the state a better system, with a school for higher education at the center of each township Secure a good family library of standard works and a few at least of the best and purest literary periodicals He should let the world know that he means that himself and family shall equal, if not excel, others in intelligence, culture, refinement and morals Keep out of debt as you would shun a plague [illegible] in thought and social intercourse Economize study supply and demand and believe what he knows to be true and not what the buyer tells him and deal only with responsible men [illegible] pay no money or give no obligation until the work is satisfactory or completed In short he should be the livest most active ablest, best posted man in the land Enough money is squandered every year to place the farmer on the top round of the ladder if he will heed these plain rules Until he shall [illegible] clodhopper

Following the discussion an admirable paper on "Home and its Surroundings" was read by Mr Palmer of [illegible] It abounded in practical and pungent points on which the home life should be within and without, called attention to the trifling cost of these adornments He suggested a list of desirable trees to ornament the yard both evergreen and deciduous

The speaker then gave an excellent talk on the culture of small fruits for the family use He said that the desire in children for fruits was so great that if we did not furnish it they would be greatly tempted to steal fruits to satisfy the craving Too many farmers now regard these refreshing summer fruits as luxuries as they were in a large sense a necessity to the health of the family, and their use would result in great saving in doctor bills He said that the only luxury that the farmer should indulge in was chewing tobacco and paying taxes It requires but little outlay and care to provide an abundant supply of the choicest fruits beginning with strawberries the first to ripen, and continued through the season with raspberries and blackberries. He described in an interesting way the manner of planting and cultivating and it is a matter of regret that a much larger number of our farmers could not have heard this most interesting talk

The question for discussion, "Farming Does Not Pay," was opened by Major S N Titus He quoted statistics to prove that farm property pays only 2¼ per cent on the the investment, while other business investments pay from 8 per cent to 30 per cent

He was followed by Mr B Cusick, who enumerated several of the weak points in farm management and suggested corrections

Mr Josephus Monnett was the next speaker and entertained the Institute with some pointed and humorous remarks He said it was unfair to charge all wild speculations to the farm The time spent going to town and reading newspapers should be called leisure We should credit our board to the farm Every acre of land ought to produce a hog worth ten dollars, five of which could be called profit Many farmers would sit around until the hog was eaten up and then claim that the farm did not pay

[illegible] He referred to potato raising as a profitable crop [illegible]

Mr G L Lawrence followed him with some very strong arguments to prove that farming pays [illegible]

The discussion was closed by a few [illegible] by Major Titus on the same line of argument as his first speech

Mr Titus then read extracts from some paper advocating the passage of a law to prevent the collection of fraudulently obtained notes by the so called innocent purchaser A motion was made by Mr Owen that a committee be appointed to prepare a resolution expressing the sense of the Institute and Major Titus was appointed to draft the resolution and report

MONDAY NIGHT

A fair sized audience gathered at Music Hall at the evening session of the Institute to hear the address of Hon L D Brown on a "State System of Public Schools"

Before the lecturer arrived a choir of singers, led by Miss Kattie Retterer, of Richland township discoursed some very fine music, which was highly appreciated by the audience.

The speaker was warmly applauded on his arrival and his address was a scholarly and comprehensive discussion of the history of the rise progress and scope of our state system of education, comprehending not only our elementary schools, but the high schools and our State institutes as harmonizing parts of the superstructure He outlined a course of study for the schools of the future, which would strengthen many of the weaknesses of the present system in the country schools, and advocated the addition of physiology to our common school course

TUESDAY MORNING

The morning session was opened with a beautiful song by Miss Katie Retterer's choir of singers

The feature of the forenoon programme Tuesday which attracted a much larger audience than Monday, was an intensely interesting and comprehensive practical paper read by Mr L. D Bonham, secretary of the State society on "Our Main Crop, or Corn—Its History, Value, Culture and Enemies" He traced this valuable cereal in an exhaustive discussion as to its origin and its culture on this continent for over two centuries comparing our method of raising it with that of the aborigines So general was the cultivation of corn in America that every explorer found it showing its adaptability, as it belongs to the order of grasses In the Miami valley corn has been grown on some farms for eighty years by white men without any perceptible falling off in the yield for the last twenty-five years In one of these fields a crop of 110 bushels to the acre was harvested in 1885, where corn had been raised for eighty years Corn combines both the excellences of the grains and grasses in grain and fodder crop It has been aptly termed the king of Cereals Statistics were then given showing that the value of the corn crop alone was more than all other grains [illegible] Interesting facts were given showing that the wheat belt was constantly shifting with the tide against it with India entering the markets of the world with her cheap wheat It is time we were giving as much attention to the improvement of corn and concentrating the grain and its 200,000,000 tons of fodder into live stock Nations like individuals have [illegible] In corn we can [illegible] I would not have farmers of Ohio think of wheat less but of corn, more Corn has [illegible] insects which feed on it [illegible] but the great enemies of [illegible] weeds and neglect The [illegible] subject of corn [illegible] spoke of the preparation [illegible] crop The continuance of the crop [illegible] propagates the insect enemies and exhausts the soil Corn follows clover The thorough working of the soil in tilling and preparing it for wheat He favored fall plowing He discussed next the utilizing of clover roots and observation showed that better results followed the mowing of the crop for hay or seed than pasturing The seed, kind and care of it was the next subject treated in every practical manner, which time and space will not permit us to outline We should not select corn from the crib in spring for seed, but in September, and keep it in a dry place of medium warmth The preparation of the grounds, planting and cultivation were ably treated In closing he gave some interesting figures, showing the cost of producing a bushel In Ohio our average crop is 33 bushels per acre, and on the estimates made, each bushel costs the farmer 39¼ cents to produce

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

The first exercise on the literary programme in the afternoon was a truly eloquent paper entitled "King Corn," by G E. Lawrence

The speaker eulogized corn as one of the great food products of the world for man and beast and gave an interesting account of its discovery in America He divided it into races, which are sub divided into classes, and each class again into types and again into varieties On the planting and culture of corn many practical hints were offered The enormous figures of the U S census on the corn crop were clothed with a new interest and intelligence by his many and ingenious illustrations

The closing words of this admirable address are so inspiring that we quote them in full here

A few years ago it was the favorite claim of many that "Cotton was King" If that claim was ever true in the past it certainly is not true today If cotton ever was king, his glory has departed, his sceptre is broken and his kingdom wrested from him by his new rival—this mighty young giant of the West, this child of the new world, King Corn

If we are to have royalty in this land of ours let us consider some of the claims and characteristics of this heir to royalty—the [illegible] support He is born and [illegible] on American soil, which more than fills the constitutional requirements of [illegible] In his infancy he is vigilantly watched and guarded by sturdy [illegible] who, [illegible] to destroy him In his youth his growth is fostered and nourished by careful culture, and by the rich [illegible] suitable to his kingly nature

No [illegible] is ever seen in his cup to [illegible] him, and even wine is unknown to him but the water from heaven is his daily beverage and the sparkling [illegible] he nightly sips

As he approaches to manhood his [illegible] increases with marvel[illegible] his stature takes on a richer [illegible] his couch is of silk then his [illegible] flung to the breeze, and [illegible] plumes of purple and green [illegible] in all their stateliness and [illegible] crowned king of the [illegible] we find that his coffers [illegible] sits in his palaces [illegible] many rulers, the more [illegible] the richer the pay [illegible] and attendants are more [illegible] than the countless hosts of Xerxes the victorious legions of Caesar or even [illegible] His dependents exceed the swarming millions of China His [illegible] which go [illegible] gutter and rustle on every hillside and plain, by every streamlet and river all over this broad land outnumber the combined weapons of war of all ages

His tented fields, pitched in all this wide domain announce his princely sway but they herald not the clash of arms and flying squadrons but well filled styes, quiet flocks and lowing herds not the bugle call but the dinner bell, not the bursting shell, but the overflowing corn cribs They bespeak, not of ruined homes blasted hopes anguish misery and death, but of happy homes cheerful firesides peace, plenty and prosperity

Fellow citizens what think ye of our sovereign? Are not his claims well founded and his title good? Surely the proofs cannot be disputed Then it becomes us as loyal subjects to heed well the laws which govern the realm, study well the needs, requirements and necessities of our king, guard well the gates to the palace that no enemy gain admittance and we will be amply rewarded, and long will be the reign and prosperous the people and free the subjects of good King Corn"

"Long may he wave!"

The largest attendance of both ladies and gentlemen of the entire Institute was present at the afternoon session on Tuesday, and no doubt many were attracted by the announcement of Mr T B Terry's paper, on "Wife Culture," and those present were well repaid as shown by the hearty and spontaneous applause which greeted the many telling points in this practical paper.

He enumerated the articles necessary to make an attractive lawn surrounding the farm house They were only grass seed, flowers and a lawn mower, costing but a few dollars and within the reach of every farmer

He considered the removal of the several hundred barrels of slops during the year. Great damage to the health of the family is entailed by the usual practice of throwing these waste slops from the door step, and an unsightly spot in the door yard is the result It was a great task to carry them away from the house, so he had fitted up a barrel on wheels and the slops could be easily removed to any desired point

He said the kitchen should be large, well lighted and ventilated, and provided with screens and an oil stove

When the thermometer ranges in the nineties most men would prefer the harvest field to the hot kitchen, and the oil stove would add much to the comfort of the housewife. Fuel costs no more than wood. They can be used to warm cellars in winter, to save contents in severe weather Mr. Terry warmly advocated the bathroom in every farm house, which he showed could be provided at reasonable cost All of these improvements would cost less than one valuable farm tool He said that it might be necessary that storms should visit the domestic atmosphere for its purification, but these reforms would do much to prevent the social cyclone, which left destruction in its track as well as the constant wearisome drizzle-drozzle

The reading of this paper closed one of the most successful institutes ever held in the county. The audience was again favored with an inspiring song by Miss Retterer's chorus An unanimous vote of thanks was tendered these singers for the part they had contributed to the success and enjoyment of the Institute

Major Titus then took the floor, and said that while many farmers had availed themselves of the advantages of these sessions, that a much larger number should be induced to attend, and it had been suggested that the next session be held at some of the out lying towns, Prospect, LaRue or Caledonia He called for the expression of opinion by members, and the State secretary, L D Bonham, was called for and made some admirable remarks He stated, that as a rule the attendance of these meetings was much larger when held outside the county seat In order to obtain the sense of the Institute, Mr. Owen moved that the next Institute be held in Marion, and it was defeated A meeting of the vice presidents was called three weeks from next Saturday, in Marion.

Masonic Chapter Election.

At a stated meeting of Marion Chapter, No 62, R A M, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

Companion J A. Wolford, M. E. H. P.
" J. A Knapp, King.
" J. R Harshberger, Scribe.
" J. Strelitz, C of H
" F. W. Thomas, P. S
" C. Smith, R. H. C.
" Jas Jacoby, G. M 3d V.
" G E. Smith, G. M. 2d V.
" S. A. Coffy, G. M. 1st V.
" W L Clement, Sec'y.
" S E. DeWolfe, Treas.
" H J. Smiley, } Stewarts.
" E. K. Uhler,
" P Dietrich, Guard.
" J. R. Harshberger, } Trustees
" Wm Fies,
" Wm Bland,

Initiation and banquet, Dec. 28, 1886.

Burglars at Caledonia.

Burglars gave Caledonia the regular semi-occasional visit last Saturday night, and Pittman & Irwin's, R L Highley's and Ed Brocklesby's places of business were visited

At Pittman & Irwin's they cut out the lock in the front door and entered as boldly as can be imagined, but carried off but little

At Highly's they forced an entrance through the rear window, but they plundered little there They found the written combination to the safe, which which contained some money, but they didn't succeed in using it.

Brocklesby's hardware store was entered from the rear and quite a big haul was made It is estimated that over an hundred dollars in cutlery was stolen The belief is prevalent that poor talent did the work

A Happy Reunion.

[Van Wert Times]

An exceedingly pleasant family reunion was held yesterday at the home of Mr and Mrs G McConahy, on north Washington street in honor of Mr Charles Baker, father of Mrs McC It was his eighty-second birthday and her fifty sixth There were about thirty five persons present, all being family connections His children now living are Mrs F Copeland, of Chariton, Iowa Mrs L G Allen of Marion, Ohio Mr C I Baker and Elwood Baker, of Chicago, Ills, and Mrs G McConahy. The late Judge A W Baker was the eldest son There were present also Mrs Elwood Baker, of Chicago, Ills, and Mr and Mrs A D McConahy, of Andrews Ind The occasion will be long remembered by all who had the pleasure of attending

—Dr B Mincer, the eminent optician, of Detroit, Mich, who is now a resident of Marion, will visit every town in this county. Any one suffering with weak eyes or eyes abused by inferior glasses, should not fail to see him Orders left at the postoffice will be promptly attended to No extra charge for examination or visiting patients at their home. On Saturdays and Sundays he can be found in his office at residence, No. 25, Silver street. 164sly.

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MARION WEEKLY STAR.

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$2 per year with "Our Family Physician"
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It is confidently thought that an effort will be made to fence in Marion, the object being to keep enterprises and industries from our limits, and since the suggestion has been made there is another result that makes the project more commendable, for if the fence is high enough it will retain what industries we already have here. Not long since the Stroble Manufacturing Co. was projected by the inventor of a very good threshing machine. Mr. Stroble is a Marion man and, of course, preferred to locate a factory at this, his home. Subscriptions to the capital stock were asked but they came very slow, and when a good location was sought the owners raised its price, until nothing short of a Standard Oil Co. could afford to buy. As a result the new company is likely to accept the inducements offered by Crestline and go there. True, the Stroble concern is a small affair now—so was the Huber when it started—but it can grow and become a concern that Marion would think she could not do without. Imagine what a howl would go up were the Huber company to locate elsewhere.

Then the attitude of Marion to projected railroads is exactly similar to the case above, and is likely to have like results. For the sake of argument we grant that the Black Diamond and Cannon Ball railroad companies have asked too much—they really have—but will not the moneys subscribed be more than repaid? Somebody always profits by the building of a railroad, and it is not the corporation alone. Landowners and capitalists are invariably re-paid while they get the benefit that is common to the community. A new railroad cannot help but benefit Marion, for as a terminus it adds to our industries. But those who are most interested stand aloof and expect those who are not able to do the work. It is a pretty solid fact that capital is slow to invest when there is a big demand for money on first mortgage notes at a high rate of interest, and this very state of affairs makes Marion an agricultural instead of a manufacturing town. It has been said that this state of affairs would be different if Marion capital was in the hands of enterprising men, but the truth is not very apparent. Enterprising men change when they get capital enough and cease their active work for the city's interests. Very few men, indeed, show a practical belief that the city's interests and their own are mutual, and Marion is so unfortunate as to fall behind the quota allotted to country towns.

ADVOCATES of free trade were admonished by the recent elections that their doctrines do not meet the approval of the great masses of the people, yet Morrison, Carlisle and other of the disciples of the Cobden Club profess as much attachment to the cause as ever and proclaim that it has lost nothing, but on the contrary has gained. The working men of the country are beginning to realize that action on their part is necessary, and the Pittsburg Commercial Gazette, published in a region where manufacturing industries are largely developed, reports that a national tariff association is being formed among the workingmen of the country, and that before the elections of 1888 thousands of tariff clubs will be organized throughout the country, the workingmen pledge to support only such candidates as are in favor of tariff laws which shall protect American laborers and American industry. No one who can read the signs of the times can fail to observe that the workingmen of the country are asserting themselves in political life and now that they are taking a united stand upon a measure of material moment to themselves, the advocates of free trade will do well to look to themselves.

THE movements for the consolidation of the Spring elections with the November one, and hold only one election in a year, is gaining favor as the time for the Legislature to meet draws nigh. We understand that in the last Constitutional amendment such a contingency was provided for, and that the Legislature has the right to change without submitting another amendment. In case it has to submit another amendment the Spring elections cannot be done away with until 1888 or 1889, even if the Legislature passes such a [illegible].

WHEN the legislature convenes at Columbus the first week of next month it may be humiliating for the absconding senators of the last session to return to their seats, but they will return all the same, for they know if they should remain away their absence will not interfere with the business of the session.

DR. DABNEY'S service in Andersonville prison is denied, but not as authoritatively as yet as the veterans desire it. It is to be hoped that the denials are true. If so, the condemnation that has been offered will have done no harm and will have served as an emphatic pointer as to popular feelings in such matters.

RUSSIAN securities have had a big drop in the foreign markets, which seems to indicate war is not only possible but probable in the near future. Russian papers have been prohibited from chronicling the movements of the armies.

COLUMBUS TELEGRAM: When the President bought his farm near the capital he got everything he wanted except a real sweet, aristocratically esthetic name. He studied on the name between official messages and at other idle times, and finally struck the great combination for which he had so long sought. He called it "Pretty Prospect," and there was a pretty prospect that the name would stick. But the name was too sweet to live, and the unregenerate newspaper correspondent dubbed it "Red Top"—just plain, common, plebeian, everyday "Red Top." Wherefore in the vernacular of the untamed West, the presidential heart was sore and a struggle as aggravating as getting a name for a new baby was commenced to find an appropriate title for the place. One day, after having racked his executive brain for hours, the President exclaimed "Eureka," which is the Greek for "I have found it." He announced that henceforth the name of the place should be "Oak View," and "Oak View" it will be to the President, while the great unwashed public will continue to be irreverent and call it "Red Top." "Red Top" hasn't the ring of impressive solidity that "Oak View" has, but it is short and makes just a good mouthful and is handy. So the Cleveland home will continue to be known as "Red Top."

AND now the press announces with ghoulish glee that Mrs. Cleveland has a great penchant for sitting for her "picture," and that since she came to the White House she has set for twenty one negatives. Well, what of it? Mrs. Cleveland is said to be a beautiful woman and taking this for granted, who will say that she shall not have the privilege to sit for one hundred and twenty one negatives if she so desires? The only objections we have to raise is that her husband has allowed Kepler, the artist of Puck, to make a colored engraving of the first lady of the land and to have an exclusive, or as the newspaper fraternity calls it, a "scoop" on everybody else. It is reported in Washington that Grover has extended such privilege to Kepler on account of the service Puck did him during the campaign of 1884 by cartooning Blaine. Thus the President tickles both the vanity of Mrs. Cleveland and himself, pays a political debt and incurs no expense to himself.

IT seems that the Presidential succession bill, passed by Congress last winter, overturns some of the social arrangements of the Capital by placing the Secretary of the Navy sixth in the list. As that official and his wife have heretofore been accorded fourth place in the social scale, there is quite a commotion in Cabinet circles. Secretary Bayard has kindly consented to permit Mr. and Mrs. Whitney to still occupy fourth place, but we do not think that will suffice. Those who have been given a better position by the bill, will not suffer themselves to be set back simply on Secretary Bayard's order, and Congress can do nothing less than to pass a bill which will conform in every way to the social customs of Washington. Society is all powerful in this Jeffersonian simplicity administration and its edicts must be obeyed.—Leader.

THE anarchist riots in Chicago last May are brought forcibly to mind by the presentations to the city of the itemized bills of the physicians who attended the wounded policemen. An idea may be gained of the terrible destructiveness of the bombs by the number and severity of the wounds received by the policemen. In addition to the eight men killed outright and those who died afterward, many of the wounded are maimed for life. One officer received eighteen wounds and another twelve, and some of the operations performed were of the most difficult known to surgery. The bill for surgical services amounts to $8,187.10.

ALL of the adultery cases against Jameson Downs and others growing out of the Bowdoin Square Church scandals came to a sudden end, Saturday, in the superior court at Boston. The district attorney in entering a nolle prosequi said: "I do not think the jury would convict with the evidence that would be presented and in the interest of public morals, as no practical result would come of the trial, I now propose to nolle prosse all the indictments." If some one could only have done the same thing with the Colin Campbell case, it would have been an excellent thing.

THE Farmers' Institutes are a good thing, and the reports of the sessions as given in this paper will show the improvement that the meetings are bringing about. The farmer was long considered an ignorant fellow, [illegible] and nothing else, but the intelligence of the times shows his vocation to be one requiring brain as well as muscle labor, and a thorough general and technical knowledge is as essential to his progress as in any of the other callings of life. In this [illegible] the farmer is finding [illegible] at these institutes [illegible] a great [illegible].

THERE are several Church [illegible] in [illegible] are using [illegible] in the [illegible] attention [illegible] expensive [illegible]

FIGURES do not lie, and on the truth of that remark it must be acknowledged that the prohibition party has made a remarkable growth in the last two years. Owing to the slight gain in Ohio last year the fact has been little noticed, but the vote compared this year with that of '84 shows an increase in the U. S. of 100 per cent—just doubling. This remarkable increase is made mostly in Western states and the facts carry with them to the old parties some serious thought. The party is in a condition to resent snubs in pretty good shape.

SOME of the neighboring press are giving space to the statement that the STAR is afflicted with jealously about Galion getting the Black Diamond. These pencil pushers seem to have a misconception of our remarks. Since we get the main line of the Black Diamond we would be narrow minded indeed to begrudge our neighbor the branch she gets. No we are not jealous.

"THE war that begins in the Spring" is the way the European potentates are adopting the Mikado to [illegible]. This country will hardly take any further interest in the matter than the report of the final outcome.

THE denials pertaining to Dr. Dabney do not come from the much talked of Doctor himself, hence they cannot be very strongly credited. Let us hear from Dr. Dabney.

ALL SORTS

British sailors saved more than $[illegible],000,000 last year.

A large statue of Hercules has been unveiled at Algeria.

Montreal is already getting ready for its annual ice palace winter carnival.

Four millions of trees have been planted on the crown lands in the Isle of Man and the work of extending the forest area there is still going on.

New York police officials are bragging that all the bunco men have gone to Philadelphia and that most of the gambling houses and policy shops in Gotham are shut up.

It is said that a Swiss officer went to study something in Turkey and the sultan wanted to know where Switzerland was. He found out and then said the Swiss were good people anyhow because they did not bother him with consuls. The sultan is unhappy.

The New York Society for the Relief of Poor Widows with Small Children held its eighty ninth annual meeting the other day. It is probably the oldest society of its kind in America. The reports for the winter of 1885 show that [illegible] widows and [illegible] children were assisted.

A Krupp cannon weighing 121 tons was embarked a few days ago at Antwerp for Spezzia. It is the largest cannon that has ever been made either at Essen or anywhere else. Extensive orders have lately been executed at Krupp's works for the Italian government.

In the imperial state crown of Britain there are 1,363 brilliants, 1,273 rose and 147 table diamonds. The brilliant was the crowning invention of the art, the work of Vincenzo Peruzzi of Venice, in the century in which Mazarin had the crown jewels of France recut.

The president is writing his message on the desk made from the timbers of the Resolute and presented to the United States by Queen Victoria. At each cabinet meeting as much of the message as has been written is read and commented on. The message will be in print about Dec. 1.

Work has begun on the children's play ground in Golden State park in San Francisco, upon which it was decided to spend the $50,000 bequeathed by ex-Senator Sharon. The main feature will be a large dairy building where fresh milk, bread, eggs, etc., will be sold to the children at cost.

The sultan of Turkey has been getting into trouble with his neighbors. In a moment of ill humor he expressed his belief in four Turkish words that the English were dogs and the Germans pigs. The Cologne Gazette had a reporter on hand who understood Turkish and published his remarks, and now The Cologne Gazette is not to be allowed to enter Turkey.

The corn crop of this country this year is said to be 1,650,000,000 bushels. The same authority gives the consumption as more than this, namely, 180,000,000 bushels used in human food, [illegible]21,000,000 for working animals, [illegible]0,000,000 for seed, 100,000,000 for the production of spirits and glucose, [illegible],000,000 for export and 1,000,000,000 for the food of meat producing animals.

The wars of Europe since the Sixteenth century were as follows: Wars undertaken for the acquisition of territory 44; for the levy of tributes, [illegible]; for reprisals 24; to decide questions of honor or prerogatives, 8; from claims relative to the possession of territory 6; from claims to crowns 44; from pretexts of assistance to an ally [illegible]0; from rivalry in influence [illegible]; from commercial quarrels [illegible]; civil wars 55; religious wars 28. Total 286.

There are nearly 4,000 licensed venders from carts in New York city and nearly 2,000 hand peddlers. They pay $5 and $1 license fees respectively. This is a list of articles sold by one hand peddler the other day: Gilt pocket match boxes, shows, seal and cameo finger rings, gold plated and pearl cuff buttons, combs, eyeglasses, pearl and bone collar buttons, wire and rubber garters, key rings, leather shoe laces, watch keys, and wristlets [illegible]. An [illegible] who was interviewed by a newspaper reporter declared that he only made 2 cents on a ton of frozen water, although the reporter figured it out $1.50.

[illegible] state [illegible] Washington [illegible] not long ago [illegible] property in the hands of a real estate man [illegible] cents. The real estate man demurred, stating that the property could not bring that figure. A few days after the [illegible] and asked if any [illegible] had been made. [illegible] was informed that no [illegible] had mentioned the property. [illegible] several times [illegible] at every visit [illegible]. A few days after the [illegible] had been waiting [illegible] of the property offered [illegible].

A Good Pointer

You [illegible] this is the best quail [illegible] in America. Look at him now.

He seems to be pointing toward that restaurant.

Yes, [illegible] that if you go in there you will find somebody eating quail on toast.—Chicago [illegible]

NOTES FROM O'ER SEA.

It is proposed to connect England and India by cable via Canada and Australia.

James Anthony Froude is going to Italy for the purpose of getting material for a book that shall add to his fame and fortune.

Among the prizes of the Paris Academy this year is one of $500 for the most important improvement of steam engines or any other invention contributing most to the progress of steam navigation.

Queen Victoria recognized the Sultan of Muscat's present of six Arab stallions by presenting him with a gold watch and chain, a hall clock, a tea service and a few odds and ends in the way of fine [illegible].

Lord Granville and Lord Arthur Russell are said to be the only members of the British parliament who can speak Russian, and Mr. [illegible] the only member of the house of commons who can converse intelligently in German.

They have a big gun at the harbor of Odessa, Russia. That is, they did. It was fired every day at sundown, and [illegible] no foreign vessel [illegible] leave the harbor. But some thieves came along the other night and carted the gun away, leaving no trace.

The Prince of Wales was fond of Fred Archer when that excellent jockey was alive and Edmund Yates in his London World records it as a touching incident of his royal highness' kindly nature that the prince recently called to see Archer's child and gave it sweets.

It is astonishing, but vouched for as a fact by no less a personage than Tourguenieff, that Victor Hugo declared that he never read any of the works of either Goethe or Schiller. But he added when telling Tourguenieff about it: "I know pretty well what is written in their books."

An American dentist who has many patients in England where he resides was invited to a garden party where he was religiously cut until the Prince of Wales, who is also a customer, saw him and made much of him. Then all the rest crowded about the dentist and could not be too polite to him.

The English robes of state which Lord Randolph Churchill appeared in at the pricking of the sheriffs is so gilded that it cost about £1,000. It is worn twice a year by the chancellor of the exchequer and it is the custom of one chancellor to hand it over to his successor. Mr. Disraeli would not part with his, however, and a new one had to be made for Mr. Gladstone.

Electrical heating stoves are being introduced in Europe. The peculiar feature of their construction is that the wires are let through apertures formed in exposed plates of refractory clay and plumbago. The air circulates very freely through the apertures where it comes in contact with the red hot wires. Wire bobbins which are inserted in the apertures are heated by the passage of the current and serve to heat the air as it passes over them.

ALL SORTS

There are twenty lime kilns in Alabama that turn out 21,000 barrels daily.

The last one of the famous herd of Arizona camels has been captured and is now in confinement at Phoenix.

Mr. Robert [illegible] is alleged to be the proud possessor of fifty suits of clothes principally London-made.

They are complaining of the density of a fog in Boston which was so heavy [illegible] that it delayed railroad trains.

Five hundred bushels of oysters were washed ashore on a Massachusetts beach during a recent sea storm.

The sanitary savants of Great Britain have decided that rooms with low ceilings are much more healthful than any [illegible].

James R. Randall, of the Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle, is to receive subscriptions for a monument to the late Paul H. Hayne.

The rural press of a northern portion of New York state is scared out of its boots by the appearance in Ulster county of a panther.

The interior of the Sorbonne, which Paris is re-erecting, is to have for the large vestibule two seated statues in stone representing literature and science, to cost $1,400.

Maine has during the last year put up 10,701,090 cans of corn, 840,000 cans of succotash and over 144,000 cans of lima beans. Three Portland firms have done most of this business.

In New York city there are [illegible] buildings. Of these [illegible] are dwellings, of which 48,619 are each occupied by from two to ten families or more, or an average of thirty people to each dwelling.

Samuel Loewenberg, of New York, was once a wealthy picture dealer. He died friendless and alone the other day and now the question, Did he leave a hoard of gold somewhere? is being eagerly discussed.

A poplar tree was recently cut down near New Middletown, Ind., that measured twenty seven feet in circumference. The tree made 12,000 shingles, 1,000 rails, 600 feet of lumber and twenty five cords of stove wood.

Starfish are doing much damage to the oyster beds off Stratford, Conn. Some growers are dredging up the oysters, removing the starfish and replanting. One firm gets seventy five bushels of starfish a day and another 1[illegible]0 bushels.

A New Yorker who had imported a Russian bloodhound at a cost of $[illegible]50 had no sooner landed him than a plain Yankee cur who could have been bought for three bits went at it and licked the Russian until he couldn't stand up for two weeks.

There are now [illegible] colored teachers in this broad land, 1,000,000 pupils in the southern states alone, [illegible] in the normal and female high schools and [illegible] worshipers in the churches. There are 60 normal schools, 50 colleges and universities, and [illegible] theological seminaries. Colored people pay taxes on from $150,000,000 to $[illegible] worth of property.

Thaddeus Fowler of Seymour, Conn., who died recently invented machines for sticking pins in paper [illegible] a minute, [illegible] for sorting pins [illegible] all at a single [illegible] pointing wire [illegible] sharpening [illegible] stamping metal [illegible] and binding [illegible] and the [illegible] used [illegible].

NOTES FROM THE CHURCHES

[illegible] lands [illegible] it is only [illegible]

The [illegible] States and Ca[illegible] have a [illegible] During the past three [illegible] have [illegible]

The [illegible] which [illegible] be one [illegible] in the [illegible] of window [illegible] strange that they contain no shadows.

CURIOSITIES OF LIFE.

Senator Vest's new house in Washington cost him $16,000.

The Titans of New York ate their annual dinner the other night. No member of the society is less than 6 feet 3 inches in height.

A drunken man in New York, the other day, embraced a wooden Indian cigar sign, which fell upon him with such force as to inflict probably fatal injuries.

A certain commercial traveler now on trial for bigamy in Wilmington, married two sisters and for some time prevented them from knowing that their husband was the same man.

They seem to be carrying the craze for palmistry too far in New York. A young lady who was told her "life line" was broken in a threatening manner has taken to her bed quite sick from the worry.

A cousin of Charles Dickens who is said to be living in New York under very straitened circumstances, steadily refuses to sell valuable autograph letters of the great novelist, though handsome prices have been offered by collectors.

Hugh T. Inman, of Georgia, a few years ago bought $2,500 worth of stock in the Sheffield Improvement company. It sank away below par and he traded it for a suit of clothes. Now the stock is worth $10,000 and somehow Mr. Inman is not happy.

Some genius painted on a block of wood a picture of a $5 bill which he sold for $5.00. Then some United States secret service officer seized the "work of art" as a counterfeit. The solicitor of the treasury thought the matter over and decided that the artist was "not guilty, but mustn't do it again."

A man in Wisconsin was out hunting and a shower came up. He put his hand over the muzzle of his gun to keep the powder dry, when a heavy clap of thunder coming he involuntarily jumped, his knee struck the hammer of his gun and his hand was blown to pieces.

For years a loon has had its home on the Schuylkill near Philadelphia, but the other day it flew into the zoological gardens and was captured. Around its neck was a little silver collar on which was engraved "Nemo, [illegible] 1804." The head keeper of the gardens says he has no doubt of the bird's great age.

A remarkable family experience has occurred at Findley's Lake, Chautauqua county, N. Y. It was the taking of a photograph of Mrs. Benjamin Boorman of that place, her son Edward Boorman, his daughter Mrs. G. R. O[illegible], and her daughter Mrs. D. J. Dean, and Mrs. Dean's baby. The picture represents five generations.

The postmaster of Chicago is reported to have received the following letter from Fort Adams, Miss.: "Dear Sir—It affords me much pleasure in writing you to ask you information something about a circular of stoves on [illegible] Loaded Dices, please send me a circular of both and price, and how to work them and [illegible]. ISAAC FOX, JR.
P.S. Rite to me all bout dices if you be so kind. Excuse me for my bold proceeding."

A Bridgeport (Conn.) man who was in New York last week was approached by a man who had found a glove with the forefinger of the left hand cut, which was suitable for his hand, on account of an accident in former years. While the pair were talking a third man came forward and claimed the three fingered glove, and on examination all the parties had a forefinger missing on the left hand. The trio of three-fingered men shook hands in honor of the event, took three fingers of sherry and afterward separated in three different directions.

LABOR NOTES

It is stated that the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers will not be represented at the convention of the national and international trades unions at Columbus, O.

Most of the coal mining in Tennessee is performed by convict labor. The convicts like it, as they get better and better food, and better treatment than when they are under close confinement.

The Knights of Labor in British Columbia have inaugurated a general boycott against Chinese labor. There are now over 20,000 Chinamen in the country who have practically driven white labor out of the market.

A party of Knights of Labor waited upon Governor Abbett of New Jersey, recently and asked him to make special reference in his message to the facts that school accommodations in Jersey City are inadequate, that the child labor bill is not enforced in the state, and that unskilled mechanics are appointed to positions in the navy yard.

According to The London Globe, a Yorkshire man who describes himself as "sober, honest, industrious, civil, willing and obliging," cannot obtain a situation because he is a hunchback. He has been a servant by profession for twenty five years and is competent to serve in any way, but the fatal objection that he has a wife and family meets him at every point.

LIFE AND DEATH

Yee Hing, a Chinaman who settled in [illegible] and had become a Presbyterian, [illegible] suicide the other day because the [illegible] Chinese of the place tormented him.

[illegible] L. Seward of Rising Sun, Ind., [illegible] Addison's disease the other day. Only [illegible] of this [illegible] have ever been known [illegible] proven mortal. The disease is caused by disease of suprarenal [illegible] chief symptom is the [illegible] Seward was originally [illegible] but before his death he had [illegible]

[illegible] of flesh grafting [illegible]

[illegible] Anderson [illegible] was found by a farmer [illegible]

[illegible] Worth [illegible] has a [illegible] that has been used over 100 times [illegible]. It has a history. In 1848 [illegible] of Alabama killed a white [illegible] in him there looked [illegible] and a stone as [illegible] petrified [illegible] was the mad stone. The In[illegible] the white deer is more [illegible] poisons taken into [illegible] life of the [illegible]

A RECEIPT FOR COLD FEIPT.

For nothing at all we will give a receipt
For pleasantly warming in winter your feipt.
First see that the shoes or the boots you may wear
Are polished each morning with scrupulous cear.
This reason is founded on science, you know,
And will, if it's followed, relieve you of wow.
Don't purchase a tight fitting boot or a shoe,
But get a size larger, or better, get two.
Be sure they are stout ones and perfectly whole,
Made low in the heel, thick broad in the wsole.
Th[illegible] them go without rubbers which sweat
And make your feet tender to coldness and weat.
Some folks woolen stockings prefer, but they should
Wear socks made of cotton, as those are more good.
For feet, like your face which in winter is bare,
Grow tough when exposed to the frost in the are.
No chilblains will itch you or give you an ache
If when it is bed time iced water you'll tache
And plunge your feet in it—then rub 'em with might
Until they grow scarlet and—probably wight.
Now toast 'em awhile by the grate and I guess
You'll find this receipt for cold feipt a success.

N. B.

Some husbands who think they're as sharp as a knife
Will warm their cold feet on a poor sleepy knife.
That's cold blooded murder for which women wise
Can get a divorce from such marital ties.

H. C. Dodge in Detroit Free Press.

A WOMAN RECEIVING A LETTER.

She took the letter in her hand,
The envelope she keenly scanned,
The address several times she read,
"I wonder who it's from," she said.
"I know the writing very well,
But whose it is I cannot tell."
With curiosity she burned,
And straightway to the postmark turned.
The postmark that will end the doubt
'Twas blurred, she could not make it out.
A darkened cloud o'er her visage stole
And keenest anguish wrung her soul.
The address she again perused,
"Who can have written it?" she mused.
She couldn't with the problem cope,
And so she broke the envelope.
Her last resource she had no better—
And then she knew who wrote the letter.

—Boston Courier.

No Sandpaper There

Detective John Webb was passing the Bates street end of the vegetable market three or four days ago when a stranger accosted him with:

"Say, I came in town the other day to git my boots fixed and I was looking around this place a little and lost a silver dollar out of a hole in my pocket."

"But you didn't come back to look for it, did you?"

"Yes I did. I think I lost it right over there where I dodged a wagon. Have you heard of any one picking up a dollar?"

"No sir."

"Seen any advertisement in the papers?"

"No. You'd better save your time."

"Why?"

"Why, man, you aren't green enough to expect to get that dollar back, are you?"

"Of course I am. Wasn't it mine? Didn't I lose it?"

"Well, Well! Some one ought to sandpaper your head."

They had chin-quered the man as he searched around in the street. "I lost it just about here while I was jumping out of the way of a wagon. If anybody tries to rub any sandpaper on my head I'll!"——

He made a dive into the dirt and fished up a silver dollar, and as he held it between his thumb and finger and danced around he cried:

"Here she is—this is the very one! I know it by the nick I cut on the edge. Ought to have my head sandpapered, had I? Well you just bet I know my gait and I'm $1 ahead! It's lucky for me, though, that you didn't find it. You look just like a man who'd have chucked it into his pocket and let me go to ruin! Sandpaper! How would you like to bite a file?"

And the abashed detective couldn't say a word in his own defense.—Detroit Free Press.

Peculiarities of Cities

A Chicago young lady was gazing at the Bartholdi statue. "Grand," she exclaimed, "superb, lovely! too sweet! but, George," he said turning to her escort, "how very small the feet seem."—New York Sun.

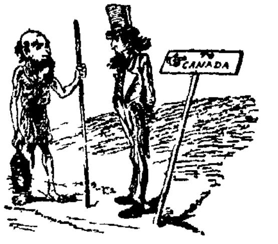
ONE FOR ST. LOUIS.

Landlord of hotel—I see we have a newly married couple here—Mr. Hiram Deeper and bride—but the register doesn't say where they are from. Clerk—I heard him ask her at breakfast this morning: "Would you like some of them molasses, Susie?" Landlord takes pen and writes "St. Louis" on register opposite their names.—Chicago Tribune.

Wanted Quinine

Give me about a dollar and a half's worth of quinine, said a sad looking young man to the druggist. Why, what do you want so much for? Well, you see I've been around to see my girl and I've just got the worst case of shake I ever heard of. Make that an even $2 worth, will you.—Arkansaw Traveler.

Diogenes Again



Brother Jonathan—I say, old man, if you are in dead earnest about finding an honest man and care to be guided by my experience let me inform you you're on the wrong track.—Life.

Brevities

Kate Field asks: How many women marry a good man? One at a time, Kate, except in Utah.—New Haven News.

Another peaceful Indian has been discovered in Montana. He has been petrified for over 1,000 years.—New York Graphic.

Some men are born great. Yes, but gracious, how some of them do shrink.—New Haven News.

The rear support of the street car is called the dasher because so many people dash after it.—Philadelphia Herald.

Gentleman in restaurant at table with a broken soft boiled egg before him—Waiter, how long do you keep your eggs? Until they are eaten.—Paris Joke.

The poets are apostrophizing Bartholdi's statue. Liberty! what rhymes are committed in thy name.—Life.

It is said that the kingdom of Bavaria has 4,000 hook and ladder companies and 250,000 firemen. It seems hardly credible, but the Bavarians are inordinate smokers, and maybe the authorities thought that where there was so much smoke there was sure to be some fire.—Harper's Weekly.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Frank Campbell of Galion Sundayed in this city

—Chas Plum of Upper Sandusky Sundayed in Marion

Judge Criswell and wife w[illegible] at Mt Gilead Sunday

Attson F Berry and Lettie A Fink [illegible] to marry

—Misses Alice Emery and Clara Diebold Sundayed in Columbus

John Diebold has begun ice packing [illegible] a very fair quality

Mr and Mrs W P Thew and F Thew were over from Caledonia Monday

Mr Wesley Roberts of Bucyrus was in the city Sunday visiting friends

[illegible] up from Springfield spending Sunday with Marion friends

All Erie express matter for Chicago is now sent via Mansfield on the Pennsylvania lines

—Nelson Loten of Mt Gilead spent Sunday in Marion with his friend Fred Shurley

Thomas Craven [illegible] ex foreman of the Huber machine shop was in the city Saturday on business

—The engineering corps of the Black Diamond has begun the review survey and are now working eastward to Mt Gilead

—H Goldstein manager of the Chicago Clothing company has been called to his home by the serious illness of his mother

Mr and Mrs Frank Winter the N Y P and O day operator and wife spent Sunday at Broadway O the guests of Frank's parents

There was an unusually large attendance at St Paul's church Sunday The music of the surpliced choir has become a splendid feature of the services

—Master Lee Munson was voted the doll groom and Miss Mary Johnston the doll bride at the Episcopal fair The contest for the bride was quite lively and full of interest

—A D Hill a former Marion county boy and at one time a N Y P and O brakeman deserted his wife in Kansas their recent home and she returned last week to reside with her father Matthew Hindman in Morrow county

Claridon Marion's little neighbor on the southeast is strutting pretty proudly The prospects of the Black Diamond have made her happy and a new opera house is to be built The actresses are there and ready awaiting the erection of the new building

Ex County Auditor J J Bell celebrated on last Saturday his 62d birthday Friends from Galion Caledonia and Denmark gathered at his residence and gave him a complete and a happy surprise A number of appropriate presents were given him by his friends which were highly appreciated by him

A Huber locomotive was given a test for the benefit of Delaware parties Saturday and seven tons of pig iron were easily pulled up Gospel Hill on East street The test was [illegible] satisfactory to the prospective purchasers who intend using the engine to haul coal from Delaware to the Stratford paper mills two miles out [illegible] road

Francis Murphy and son Edward were in Mansfield Wednesday and Thursday under the auspices of the Non Partisan W C T U which held meetings on those days to consider various departments of temperance work A number of the ladies of the Marion Non Partisan W C T U [illegible] in a body and made an effort to get Mr Murphy to visit this city which they feel confident of doing

Among the young barristers admitted to the bar last week we notice the names of W R Baxter and J A Garver of Mt Gilead The latter is a former schoolmate of the editor and we are pleased to note the brilliant success he attained in examination Garver was a student under Judge Dunham was always a bright and hard working student, and we expect to hear of him as a shining legal light some day No one can express a more earnest wish for his success than the STAR

We are pleased to state that ex Probate Judge J N Matthews will make Marion his future home It was hoped that he would remain here after retiring from his office but his business interests called him to Green Camp His recent illness however has placed a barrier against him conducting business any further and he has sold out his entire mercantile interest with the intention of making Marion his future home

—School Examiner S T Elliott has resigned that position and the Probate court has appointed W A Sager as his successor Mr Elliott has been an efficient examiner but he is ably succeeded Mr Sager who is now superintendent of the Waldo schools has been a practical teacher for nine years in Marion county he is well acquainted with the requirements of his position and is well known among Marion county teachers His appointment is a good one and we are sure it will please those most directly interested

Upper Sandusky Union The Hancock Oil and Gas company is conducting negotiations to supply Carey Upper Sandusky Nevada Marion Galion Newark and Columbus with gas We regard this a huge undertaking requiring a capital of several millions [illegible] it looks very plausible [illegible] of the Findlay Company [illegible] stockholders However we [illegible] company the greatest success and [illegible] natural gas to Upper Sandusky The company should hurry up as [illegible] on foot to sink a well [illegible] farm and if it should [illegible] and there is every reason [illegible] it will we may [illegible] outside company The [illegible] is noted and mapped by [illegible] and it is certainly worth while [illegible] matter It is the opinion of most [illegible] that the infirmary farm is the [illegible] to make the second trial for gas [illegible] there [illegible] experiment should be [illegible] it would be a big thing for the county

—Miss Laura Hardy was at Dayton Sunday attending the funeral of a niece

—Attorney C C Fisher made a flying trip to Richwood Saturday on professional business

—Mr Carl Watson of Upper Sandusky, was in the city the guest of F G Richardson, at Hotel Marion

—S C Koons the talented editor of the LaRue News was in the city, hustling business matters Friday

—Mrs S J Francis has returned from the West, whither she has been visiting her husband and daughter

The property of Gus Housworth the Waldo accomplice of Enoch Young in the Bensley murder was sold at Sheriff's sale Saturday

—George W Bull of Columbus was in the city a short time Monday looking after the interests of the firm he is traveling for and visiting his mother

—LaRue News M B Chase the genial insurance agent, of Marion was in town Wednesday We noticed James Jacoby of Marion in town the fore part of the week

—John B Mouser is the happiest man on west South street A little girl has been born to Mr and Mrs Mouser and the proud distinction of being a father is pleasing to John

—Dix's pond is being greatly utilized by the youth of the city Quite a number were on the ice every night, enjoying the sport of gliding over the ice under the rays of the moon

—Upper Sandusky Union While engaged in chopping down a tree in Marion county last Monday John Perrine of this city, had his foot badly crushed and now goes about on crutches

—Ensign W G Richardson of the U S navy will be married shortly to a New York lady The bride and groom after the ceremony will come to Marion where they will remain for a short time

—M L Gibbs has purchased property in Findlay and expects to move to that city the first of January The plow manufactory which Mr Gibbs endeavored to establish here is to planted at Findlay as the necessary capital was rapidly secured there

—Harry Scribner who has been acting in the capacity of grocery clerk for A D Matthews & Son has been given the position of C and A yard clerk This, by the way, is a new position ordered by the C and A folks on account of the immense amount of business being done

—Such pleasant weather reminds one of the balmy spring days, when the gentle blue bird sings his song of praise, while the ubiquitous spring poet hands in his latest composition on the red breasted robin Long may he survive for without him the editorial fraternity of the country would drive all the mothers in law to the lunatic asylum

—Two farmers got into a wrangle Saturday noon near the court house over some wheat which one of them had brought to town and sold It seems that the one who hauled the wheat to town made some contract with the other man whereby he was to receive a portion of the proceeds Words would have been followed by blows had not friends intervened

—There is talk of organizing still another band and securing the services of Chas Mader to lead it A letter from Charley expresses a willingness to return and members of the old Citizens Band are about to take an active hold of the matter Charley Mader gave Marion the best band that the town has ever known and the effort to bring him back will be heartily approved

—A drunken individual from the country stopped at the Hotel Marion Monday night and was shown to a room about 10 o clock The porter realized his condition and turned out the gas for the fellow but he managed to light it again and then blew it out The odor of gas was discovered and after a long job of waking the fellow entrance to the room was gained when the gas was turned off and our country cousin saved from being asphyxiated

The Young Men's Republican club met at the Bennett Hall Monday evening and made considerable progress toward a permanent organization A constitution was adopted after considerable discussion that was marked by the apparent determination to succeed The organization is to be known as the Young Men's Garfield club and the active membership will consist of those between the ages of 18 and 35 inclusive The next meeting is to be held the first Wednesday night in January

Two traveling men were sitting together at the Hotel Marion a few nights ago when the conversation turned upon characters which they had encountered among their travels Said the one "I think that Squire Payne looks like Jay Gould don't you" "I don't know him" said the party spoken to "but I know that Squire Abston looks like P T Barnum" The question now arises of how these gentlemen made the acquaintance of the Squires Possibly they are old acquaintances

—It is learned that the N Y P and O will soon add 1200 new cars to its equipment Bids for the construction of these cars will be invited within a few days and doubtless the contracts which will be let for them will provide for their early completion The N Y P and O will also add some improved machinery for handling ore at its docks in Cleveland thus keeping abreast of the improved facilities which its competitors are adopting The preparations of all the local roads are for an increased business next year

—As will be seen elsewhere in this paper S H Rupp has succeeded Jno Q Codding in the insurance business The agency that has changed hands is the oldest and best known in the city and while an excellent gentleman is retiring from the con[illegible] an equally capable is succeeding him Mr Rupp while recorder of Marion county made hosts of friends and they will be pleased to hear of him entering the active business circles Mr Codding retires with the expectation of locating elsewhere but we would rather he should choose to remain here He is a citizen whose loss Marion would feel

FRASH!

HOLIDAY GREETING!

PRESENTS.

A nice Dress Pattern in silk, Cashmere, camels' hair, tricot or embroidered

Cloaks & Wraps—Seal plush, fine Newmarket or stylish short wraps

Nice Shawls in all grades

Linen Goods — Nice napkins, table cloths and napkins to match.

In Handerchief department we have special values, and are showing a fine line

Bargains will be found in silk and cashmere mufflers

DECEMBER

Brings the Holidays, the time of merriment and gift-making. No place in the city offers a more beautiful line of useful and practical presents than can be found at our store.

Bargains are Attractions!

Even at Christmas time. All goods marked low, and are positive bargains, yet in the CLOAK and WRAP DEPARTMENT we are offering great inducements, to close them, regardless of cost.

During the Holiday Season we will confine ourselves strictly to our regular DRY GOODS Business, offering in this connection all the Novelties suitable for Practical Holiday Gifts. Buy them while the stock is full.

PRESENTS.

Hand Bags,
Gloves and Mittens,
Silk Umbrellas,
Nice Towels,
Hoods,
Toboggan Caps,
Hosiery,
Leggins,
Warm Skirts,
Underwear.
Bed Spreads,
Muslins,
Flannels,
Blankets.

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First Door West of Postoffice.

RAILROAD NEWS

Galion Inquirer Bee Line Engineer A Swisher visited his father and mother at Marion this week

The C C C and I is erecting a handsome brick depot at Delaware which will be formally opened on January 4th

The Bee Line did not change its time Sunday as [illegible] the report failed to verify It is again announced for next Sunday

Sup't Parsons of the C and A, and his private secretary, Harry Wilford were in town Saturday, arranging and looking after important matters bearing on the interests of the road

The 38 cabooses which the C and A has have proven entirely inadequate to the immense business which the C and A is now doing Immigrant cars are being used as cabooses until the new ones are completed

The Hocking Valley furnished three engines to the C and A last week to help move the large amount of freight then in the C and A yards The new engines of the C and A are expected to be finished shortly

In taking sleeper Corning off of N Y P and O train 12, Sunday morning to throw on to C and A 12, the switches were not properly thrown and the car went off the track knocking down the switch stand and slightly scratching the sleeper

J M Dill a passenger conductor of the C and A road, and as pleasant a gentleman as one would wish to meet is slowly recovering from his recent illness Mr Dill was taken sick several days ago, but will in a few days be able to occupy his old position

A telegraph office is in course of progress at the west end of the C and A yards A telegraph office at the west end of the yards has for a long time been a great want as much time was lost by the engineers in getting their orders at the lower end and then repairing to the yards to make up their trains It is not announced who will be the operator

The decision of Judge Gresham in the in the matter of the United States Express company against the C and A railway the Erie Express company was ordered off the tracks of the C and A In consequence of this the Erie was compelled to send all their Chicago express matter by way of the Pennsylvania line at Mansfield O on Saturday The United States Express company now sues the C and A railway for $50 000 damages which they claim they have sustained in consequence of the Erie getting a foothold in Chicago The result of this little controversy is anxiously awaited by railway officials as it presents an interesting state of affairs

Waldo Locals

We are having nice weather

Nearly everybody is butchering

The band serenaded Jim Coleman Saturday evening

The I O O F meet every Wednesday evening

The oil company held a meeting here last week

We have nothing to add in the line of improvements

Not many hogs can be found through this section for market

Feeding has commenced in earnest The ground is so frozen that stock can get nothing

H T King has returned from the West where he had charge of a ditcher for Huber

Bob Bland will have his house in running order by New Years

Mrs [illegible] Justice was at Prospect last [illegible]

[illegible] Jim Coleman on his new undertaking of a wedded life May your path ever be strewn with the choicest of flowers and may you live a life of peace joy and happiness

Worline's old photograph car is in our midst and making many of our people feel happy

The main strain of the people is to engage a large pile of wood before the cold does set in

S T Elliott has returned from the Northwest where he has been on a trip to see the country

The Houseworth property will sell at Sheriff's sale Saturday in Marion

Henry Topp of LaRue, gave our town a call last Tuesday evening on the cigar business en route from Marion to Prospect

We extend an invitation to all to come to our Christmas tree Christmas night Many are taking hold of the work giving their efforts

The oil well is still in running order They are down 475 feet and still drilling through rock Everything is favorable for a success

Miss Mary Kraner, of Marion gave her brother, of Waldo a visit last week

Mr Charley Conklin has commenced his school in the Oborn district and we hear very flattering remarks of his efforts for success

Grandma King is still very sick all medical aid has failed so far

The farmers are cutting ice for summer use

While Harvey Kenyon was on the river today he took an accidental cold bath clear up to his shoulders

Dec 10 86 WOOD BOX

A Merited Recognition

On Friday evening occurred the annual installation of the officers of Marion Lodge F and A M Past Grand Master Philip Dombaugh performed the ceremonies

After the oath of office had been administered to Philip Dieterich for his thirty second term, that gentleman started to retire to his post as Tyler when he was halted by Dr J B Fisher who presented that faithful officer with an elegant gold headed cane The Doctor presented the cane in behalf of the Lodge Chapter and Council all of which Mr Dieterich has served as Tyler While the spokesman was paying a just tribute to the services rendered by Mr Dieterich that gentleman stood motionless in surprise while the tears strolling down his cheeks spoke the feelings of his heart He was unable to make reply but the members had seen his appreciation and the occasion was one of pleasant thoughts to all

The cane presented is a beautiful one in head and bears a handsome and appropriate inscription It is a well merited recognition of Mr Dieterich's services as Tyler for thirty one years

MIXED MELANGE,

Alias "Walks and Talks" "Points and Pointers" "The Rambler" et al —A Budget of Interesting Things Mooted By the Star

The recent spell of remarkable weather has called forth the reminiscences of the oldest inhabitants and even the younger ones Referring to the same to Attorney W Z Davis Saturday that gentleman remarked that he never knew of such weather in December but once before, and that was several years ago It occurred at holiday time and lasted but three days The young men made the occasion one to be remembered by making New Year's calls in linen coats and I tell you, it was an odd sight The like will hardly occur again Even if the weather justified such a freak the callers do not seem to reside here any more or else the ladies do not receive

"Since the commissioners whack it to you on a point of law" said a man interested in county affairs "you might consistently suggest a few legal requirements to them For instance the law requires eight hours for a day's work of every commissioner, and there isn't one day in a hundred that they work that long"

A moment's reflection proves this The honorable board generally meets at 10 30 a m and adjourns at 3 30—one and one half hours work in each half making three for a day Full time is charged for this If the point of law is to be strained, why not work the full eight hours and have less sessions? It might reduce salaries to the figure that they were fifteen and twenty years ago

A refreshing incident displaying gall is that of Mrs McClinton, who was a conspicuous figure here not long since After carrying off a good sum of money belonging to her respected husband she now has the impudence to write for a division of the household goods One would think she would endeavor to blot Marion and its memories from her mind instead of wishing to return on such an errand

Speaking of the flattering condition of the Masonic order in Marion the STAR asked Dr J B Fisher, the pioneer in Masonry in this city if he didn't remember some interesting incidents pertaining to the early history of that order here "Yes lots of them" said the Doctor "but it would take a long while to recite them Forty years ago popular feeling was greatly against secret societies and the early Masons did not dare to publish the time of their meetings We had a rigamaro about the shines that Masons understood and gave notice in the papers in such language We organized and held our meetings for a long time in the Auditor's office and the [illegible] public was never aware of the [illegible] affair as they thought it"

Another Railroad Accident

As train order extra 35 was preparing to leave the C and A yards Sunday afternoon an accident occurred to a brakeman which might have proved fatal

Owing to the immense business now being done by the C and A the emmigrant cars are being utilized to carry the crews of the different freight cars Third extra 35 was backing down on a side track to couple onto one of these emmigrant cars, and J H S P Cotton, the brakeman, evidently not aware of the fact that the train was coming on him, leaned against the drawbar of the emmigrant car The moving freight train came on very slowly and, before Cottan was aware of the fact, he was caught in the abdomen by the moving freight train If the train had been moving rapidly there would have been no doubt as to the result, and as it is he came very near passing into another sphere

Drs Sweney and Adams were summoned, who attended the injured man and pronounced the injury sustained not serious. He was taken to his home at Huntington Sunday evening Cotton is a new man, not having been on the road more than a week.

To Go to Crestline.

Fred Stroble called at our office this morning to answer the inquiry as to what had become of the Stroble Manufacturing company We are surprised to learn of his intention to locate in Crestline The citizens of that place offer the Miller shops, which that place erected as an inducement to secure the Miller Machine works before that concern failed Having the building and wanting industries Crestline can well afford to give it to the Strobel company, and it makes a big inducement. There is natural gas in the building, water works, and engine and shafting ready to start work Besides the citizens of that place offer to subscribe the stock that Marion is so slow about, and all circumstances are more encouraging

Mr Stroble has not definitely determined what will be done, but it is almost certain that he will go to Crestline, and we cannot blame him

Prospect

The concert that was to be given under the auspices of the Prospect Choral society, between Christmas and New Year's, has been indefinitely postponed on account of general dissatisfaction among the members

Jay, infant son of J B Miller, is dangerously sick with lung fever

Prof E Eugene Davis is busily engaged this week playing for S K Donavin, at the Delaware Opera House

W D Johnston, of Columbus, and T W Buffington of Milford Centre, O are visiting with Mr and Mrs N C Hilford, on east Water street

The weather has been so warm the past few days that it has spoiled the splendid skating on the river

The orchestra was called to Richwood to play for a ball Thursday night

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The Alleged Land Patent all Bosh

PROSPECT, O, Dec 10—The alleged patent for the land on which Prospect stands has proved to be nothing more than a mere transcript from the books of the land commissioners, as Mr David Gist, of this place has in his possession and has hidden for a number of years, an exact duplicate of the instrument that Glass holds, and he was informed by a prominent attorney of Marion Wednesday, that he could get all such transcripts he wanted for the paltry sum of one dollar It is understood that several parties have already paid Glass various sums in order to perfect their title to property owned by them which makes them just that much the loser It was a well laid scheme, but it would not work

ABOUT THE WOMEN

The woman suffrage law recently passed by the lower house of the Vermont legislature required that female voters should own $250 worth of property

Miss Hughes a daughter of the author of 'Tom Brown's School Days' and Miss Greenwood, a daughter of the editor of St James Gazette, have each brought out a book for children this year

More newspapers in this country are employing lady journalists than ever before Detroit is said to lead the list in this regard Every paper in the City of the Straits has one or more female staff writers

A big and healthy woman who failed to get a seat in a Baltimore street car the other day, finally fell on the floor, saying she couldn't stand up any longer A vacant place was speedily made for her on one of the benches.

Miss Mary Yore, the young lady Michael Davitt is going to marry, has just passed her 20th year She is a brunette of graceful figure, and although not strikingly handsome, she has a charm of manner which makes up for any lack of beauty

The widow of Gen Custer has an apartment only a few blocks away from the Wild West show in New York where the man who killed her daring husband is on exhibition Mrs Custer is now in the country where she will probably remain until the show is moved away

A Washington writer observes that the wives of ex presidents live longer than their husbands And The Louisville Courier Journal says the wives of other men do too There are more aged widows than aged widowers Women appear to stand the wear and tear of domestic life better than men

Ten per cent of the students in the University of Zurich are women Twenty nine of them are studying medicine fourteen philosophy and two political economy There are now forty-eight female students of medicine in London and in Paris 103 Within the last seven years eighteen women have taken a medical degree in Paris

The Woman's Suffrage association, of Brooklyn, is having a peck of trouble because Mrs E L Twkhill, who they say shall not become a member, is fully persuaded in her own mind that she ought to belong She forces her way into the society's meetings and insists upon the members hearing her oratory in her own behalf

Most people have heard about the seven Sutherland sisters and their enormous heads of hair Lately they were engaged to advertise somebody's hair tonic in New York by combing their heads in their employer's windows Now an injunction is threatened by other business houses on the same street unless they stop the show, the crowds are said to block the street and paralyze trade

PLAYERS AND SINGERS

W J Florence and wife are going to make a tour of Australia.

Mr and Mrs. Ira D Sankey have just returned from Europe

Kate Claxton has gone back to "The Two Orphans" She is playing it this week in New York

Alvan Clarke, the venerable and famous telescope maker of Cambridge, is 82 years of age, but hale and hearty and works regularly

Margaret Mather is said to have begun life as a news girl in Detroit She is supporting three nieces in school and is a large giver to charities

Veteran Charles W Couldock, the Dunstan to Effie Ellsler's Hazel Kirke, proposes to retire now after half a century of active work upon the stage

The New York press and all the metropolitan lovers of music have gone wild over the first presentation there of 'Tristan and Isolde," the most thoroughly Wagnerian of all Wagner's operas

The gas engineer at the Metropolitan Opera house, New York, has succeeded in substituting the electric for the calcium light for the stage This is the first instance of practical success in that way

The presentation of flowers to theatrical performers during a performance has been prohibited in certain European quarters, and now American managers are said to wish the law might similarly interfere here, too

St Louis clergymen passed a series of resolutions not long ago condemning the ballet in general and that attached to the American Opera company in particular but the company did good business in that city [illegible] the same.

The Philadelphia amateur dramatic clubs and associations are gradually dying out because of the lack of an abiding place It is claimed that these clubs have furnished the stage with a very large number of competent people

Madame Ristori and Mrs Ladner met not so very long ago at the home of Mme Nevada Palmer They greeted each other warmly They had not seen each other before since they were present at a grand entertainment given in their honor at Chicago some years ago

Capt J M Cushing who has just been placed in command of Vanderbilt's steam yacht Alva, was born in Phippsburg Me, in 1851 He has had a wide experience as a seaman, and is considered by experts one of the ablest young captains that ever commanded a ship

Theodore Thomas applied for entrance at the stage door of the theatre in which the American Opera company was to appear in Philadelphia the other day The doorkeeper asked him who he was Thomas was the reply 'What Thomas? The only Thomas' rejoined Theodore, as he pushed his way in

The emperor of Austria has granted Adolph Sonnenthal the actor permission to make a short visit to America Mr Conried will arrange for a tour of the principal cities of the United States which will not exceed twenty performances Sonnenthal visited America about two years ago for the first time

Frederick Dubois who has been elected delegate to congress from Idaho only went to that territory three years ago President Arthur appointed him United States marshal largely to resist the encroachments of Mormon treason and he now comes back to Washington a pronounced anti Mormon delegate

Miss Marion Booth of New York a niece of Edwin Booth and an actress owns a pet black and tan dog A dog catcher stole it from under her arm the other day and there was trouble till the dog was returned In her excitement she dropped her purse, and then a $1,000 check She said the dog was worth more to her than the check

Madame Fursch Madi sings too well to please some of the American Opera company people, and they had begun to fear that she would become that detestable thing a star performer So Stage Manager Hock [illegible] a fuss with her at St Louis and told Thomas that Fursch Madi [illegible] must go Mrs. Thurber pursued her for the company and friend Fursch Madi said she'd better stay She did, and Mr H[illegible] has not resigned either

THE ENGLISH SYSTEM.

METHODS OF VOTING ADOPTED IN ENGLAND AND AUSTRALIA

How Candidates for Parliament are Nominated—Form of Ballot Paper Used at the Polling Stations—Result of the Count of an Election

In a recent number of his magazine, The North American Review Mr Thorndike Rice describes the present system of balloting in England and contends that with suitable modifications it could be adopted in this country, for he [illegible] our methods of voting as corrupt and degrading

The English system was established by what is generally known as the ballot act of 1872 and is based on the methods which have been used in the Australian colonies for a quarter of a century and more In the first place candidates for parliament are nominated in writing by two registered electors of the county or borough and with the written assent of eight other electors This nomination paper must be delivered to the returning officer by the candidate or his proposer or seconder in person and that official is required to publish the names of candidates The 'ballot paper' consists of a paper containing the names and description of the candidates and on the back of each ballot is printed a number which is also printed on the face of a counterfoil attached to it

At the time of voting the ballot paper must be marked on both sides with an official mark and delivered within the polling station to the voter whose number on the register of voters is required to be marked on the counterfoil To make this description clearer Mr Rice gives this as a specimen of a ballot paper

FORM OF FRONT OF BALLOT PAPER

Counterfoil No	1	BROWN (John Brown of [illegible] street, Bristol merchant)
	2	JONES (William David Jones of High Elms Wilts Esq)
	3	MERTON (Hon George Travers [illegible] commonly called Viscount Merton of Swarsworth Bart)
Note—The counterfoil is to have a number to correspond with that on the back of the ballot paper	4	SMITH (Henry Sydney Smith of 7- High street Bath attorney)

FORM OF BACK OF BALLOT PAPER

No

Election for

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Note The number on the ballot paper is to correspond with that on the counterfoil

The voter takes the properly marked ballot into a private compartment at the polling station and there with a pencil provided for the purpose places a cross on the right hand side and opposite to the name of each candidate for whom he votes Then folding it up so as to show the official mark on the back he leaves the compartment, exhibits the mark only to the presiding officer and in his presence deposits the ballot in the box Directions for the guidance of the voter are placarded outside of every polling station and in every compartment If he spoil a ballot paper through inadvertence he can obtain another Each candidate may appoint one officer to attend at each polling place, and all the officers and agents must take the oath of secrecy At the close of the polls the boxes are sealed and taken charge of by the returning officer who opens the boxes and counts the votes in the presence of the agents of the candidates In case of a tie the returning officer gives the casting vote but all persons, such as agents clerks and messengers paid for services at an election are debarred from voting The costs are paid by the returning officer who must be reimbursed by the candidates or their proposers or seconders in equal shares

A BASIS FOR REFORM

Mr Rice thinks that this system of balloting is much superior to our own but he would use it only as a basis for a radical reform in our method though he does not undertake to define the modifications which he regards as necessary He would also adopt the plan of making the expenses of an election a charge upon the public for the two chief evils of our present system seem to him to be the unlimited and virtually compulsory disbursement of money by the candidate or his supporters and the frequent failure of the present mode of voting to correctly record the popular verdict ' The English and Australian plan of balloting he finds prevents bribery and corruption and the assumption by the state of the expenses of elections would help to purify our politics by taking away from money its power in elections

Of course if elections were conducted at the cost of the government some restrictions would need to be imposed to prevent men's placing their names on the list of candidates from mere love of notoriety In Australia every candidate is required to deposit a fixed sum before his name is entered and if he fails to poll more than a certain proportion of the votes obtained by that one of the successful candidates who receives the smallest number of votes the deposit is forfeited to the state

In England it has been proposed to make any candidate responsible for his own expense who fails to poll one eighth of the constituency at least Another proposition is to require a large list of indorsing voters and thus indirectly to abolish the corruptions of primary politics for the candidate would be put up by the people rather than by a caucus or nominating convention —New York Sun

Manufacturing Car Wheels

A new method of manufacturing car wheels has been tested at Wilkesbarre Pa with satisfactory results By the old method three men could make only eighteen wheels per day of twelve hours By the new process the same number of men can turn out a perfect wheel every minute or 720 per day One of the principal features of the new method is the use of a steel core instead of one of sand in casting the wheel The core is removed by knocking out the center key leaving the hole perfectly true and ready to be put on the axle at once without dressing or boring —Boston Budget

Electricity and the Inexplicable

Of the common notion that electricity plays an important part in the production of earthquakes Professor Joseph Le Conte well says I never heard or read the slightest scientific proof of this theory Electricity has taken hold of the popular mind as [illegible] the mysterious all [illegible] thing [illegible] scientifically [illegible] Everything [illegible] inexplicable is [illegible] to electrical force So it is with earthquakes—electricity is made the scapegoat —Arkansaw Traveler

Bed [illegible] thing manufactured from paper pulp strengthened with twine is one of the latest novelties

Indian Gamblers and Jockeys.

All Indians after a while become expert card players and the Flatheads are no exception to the rule These latter gentry are not afraid to try their skill and nerve with the sportive frontiersmen of the northwest, with whom they frequently have long sieges of draw To these experienced gamblers the local fry are as children Many a young buck with no inheritance to speak of has enriched himself amazingly at the expense of wayfarers who have fallen by the wayside Some of these youngsters who draw the right card at the right time have fine large herds of ponies to their credit in consequence thereof As jockey riders the Flatheads and their relations have perhaps no equals on earth Raised as they are from childhood almost on a pony's back so to speak, it is no wonder they become superior equestrians

When preparing for a race the young bucks skin themselves of their clothing so as to present as little resistance to the air as possible A Flathead jockey mounted for business is dressed in nothing more than a breech clout and perhaps a thin cotton shirt, which floats in the breeze but offers no impediment to rider or horse Leaning forward on their hardy little cayuses they dash down the race course like the wind jumping ditches and dodging trees with a precision and skill truly marvelous The white man's race course is a flat level stretch of ground rolled smooth, over which the animal simply runs while the rider has nothing much to do except hold his seat On the other hand an Indian will race over any kind of ground, among timber or swimming streams combining with the simple speed of his animal individual skill and judgment in surmounting a score of obstacles and always coming under the wire ahead A white man seldom wins a race from an Indian, and there is no wonder for it —New York Commercial Advertiser

They Always Did It in That Way.

Charley Haskins, of Milwaukee, an old telegraph man, was in Europe recently and he tells some funny stories about the way the telegraph business is managed over there For instance, he filed a message in an office in London and, out of curiosity, waited to see what became of it The receiving clerk did not put it in a little leather cup and shoot it up the pneumatic tube to the operating room, as the American receiving clerk does Instead, he hung it on a file hook with a number of other messages and went on taking in more messages, placing them on the same hook In about half an hour the hook was full, when the clerk called out to a boy In five minutes the boy was on his way up the stairs to the operating room with that bundle of messages, and he wasn't in very much of a hurry, either No wonder Mr Haskins says the American telegrapher couldn't stand it to live in that country

They are slow over in England, but very careful For instance, when they erect a telegraph pole in the street of a town or city they plant it as carefully as if they were laying the foundation of a $1,000,000 building With the pole once up they are not satisfied to brace it with the service wires, but to attach to it and extend out and fasten in every direction heavy guy wires as clumsy as they are unnecessary There is no use trying to tell the Englishman anything, either, or to suggest any better methods His invariable reply, in a tone which seems to leave no room for further argument, is

Well, we have always done it that way "—Chicago Herald

Scene in a London Court.

A most amusing scene to philosophic spirits recently occurred at a London court in a litigation concerning the ownership of a donkey The presiding judge, borrowing a hint from Solomon and the caliphs of Bagdad had the animal brought into court to test the allegation of the defendant that it would eat bread or vegetables offered it with Lord Salisbury's compliments but would reject the same with symptoms of loathing and contempt when Mr Gladstone was named as the donor As it happened, the wily quadruped when challenged by the claimant not only devoured indiscriminately the Tory and Liberal carrots showing no partisan spirit whatever but, when the experiment was acknowledged a failure set up such mixed notes of exultation and protest that the magistrate deafened by the outrageous bray summarily dismissed the claim —Chicago Herald

A Small Boy's Opinion

There is a small boy in South Boston whose childish efforts to solve the mystery of death and the after life for the benefit of a little girl who questioned him on the subject are interesting 'You see, he said to her you go on and on and then you stop and the first thing you know you are going on again and then you can't stop When he was told of the blissfulness of this life after you can't stop and its freedom from suffering he said It'll be nice to be there and not have any touches won't it mamma? 'Any what ' Why, any touches of measles and cholera mobbles and such things —Boston Record

New Way to Read Characters

A French journal describes a new method of reading character known as scarpalogy It consists in a study of the heels and toes of shoes If these are worn down evenly the wearer is a good business man energetic and quick in decision If the outer side is worn more than the inner he is of an adventurous turn of mind Weakness of character is indicated by a heel and sole worn most on the inner side —Boston Budget

Mont Blanc's Halo

A curious fact concerning Mont Blanc has been communicated to the Paris Academy of Sciences by M Ch Zengler It is that a bluish green glow about the top of the mountain sometimes remains visible until 10 30 o'clock at night M Zengler concluded that this phosphorescence was due to ice and carbonate of lime mingled and he has succeeded in photographing the glow —Arkansaw Traveler

Ocean Commerce

The [illegible] steamships plying between the United States and Europe cost $100 000 000 capacity 18 700 men spend $1 000 000 a month for coal carry 500 000 passengers a year and earn $22 000 000 for passage money exclusive of what is paid for freight

Telegraphy for Army Officers

The German war office having decided that all the officers must learn telegraphy, 100 officers selected from the Berlin garrison and 100 from the garrison of Strasburg and Metz have begun a course of tuition —Frank Leslie's

There are some men who have so much genius that they can't do anything but sit around all day and think about it

BEFORE THE BREATH OF STORM

Before the breath of storm,
While yet the [illegible] bright afternoons are warm,
Under the [illegible] [illegible] sky
The air is full of [illegible] wings for flight
Yet with the [illegible] [illegible] delight
Comes the [illegible] of this cry—
Till the sun scatter and the gloom dispel
Farewell Farewell Farewell

Why will ye go so soon
In this sweet [illegible] [illegible] month than June
The [illegible] dreams [illegible] at tree
A veil of dreams where do ye find the sting?
A gold enchantment sleeps upon the sea
And purpled hills—why have ye taken wing?
Put from far heart the [illegible] ye fall and swell—
Farewell Farewell Farewell
—Charles [illegible] Roberts in Outing

The Trades People of Paris

Paris is utterly given over to the Philistines in the shape of a class known here as the buying Americans, who swarm at this season thicker than the locusts during the plagues of Egypt Imbued with the [illegible] idea that Paris is the center of the universe and can satisfy every taste from the elegant to the depraved they take their annual flight to the cool haunts of La Suisse or Germany, and then descend upon the town for the summer when it is deserted by all save the bourgeoise and the ever present shopkeeper The latter class is glad enough to have the, to them always rich Americans With open arms and fulsome flattery they receive them and proceed with alacrity to load them down with last winter's styles at a figure which causes the true Parisian to grin with sardonic joy

The trades people of Paris, from the big hotel keeper to the proprietor of the second rate cafe, from the swell dressmaker to the small workingman, are a set of thieves and pickpockets whose peculiar object for venomous attack is the long suffering American who [illegible] in silence and endures with heroic fortitude who is ignorant of the language powerless to defend himself and unwilling to be warned by the cry of his countrymen who have been fleeced before him If the Americans were only not so wildly anxious to begin and buy But they cannot cannot wait one minute after their arrival to learn some native process whereby to cope with the rapacity of the Parisian shopkeeper and they are made to pay for bad pictures defective statuary frippery and articles de virtu in French gilt and poor bronze, with which they proudly return home to found art galleries and instruct the untraveled To this class Paris is still that glittering brilliant fairy creature endowed with immortal faith, the mistress of the world and crowned with the same glory she wore when Napoleon III reigned over her and called to her festal board English and Americans, both to be royally entertained —Paris Cor San Francisco Chronicle

Disclosures of English Private Life

The queen of England has set the example of writing accounts of private life almost unprecedented for their disclosures of domesticity She prattles about her court and her family her servants and her friends, tells stories of their living and doings as well as of her own in a style that oversteps all the ordinary barriers of delicacy or reticence The English high and low but especially the high, follow the precedent Hardly a year elapses without the publication of a memoir by some person of quality replete with gossip and sometimes scandal, about persons of importance and unimportance which the subject never expected would be revealed To say nothing of the exceptional Greville memoirs there are Lord Beaconsfield's letters Lord Houghton's memoir Lord Macaulay's biography Lord Malmesbury's memoirs Lord Minto's Lady Bloomfield's Lady Clementina Davies and last month Sir Francis Doyle [illegible] which have appeared within a very few years all are crowded with incidents of so called private life repetitions of private conversations, revelations of private character all were largely read and admired I never heard one of them criticized for the freedom of their disclosures in the twelve years that I lived in England —*Adam Badeau's Letter*

The Goats of Bolivia

While riding along we saw on the side hills many flocks of goats grazing which seemed to be without a guardian Observing this to my capataz he said Oh they keep dogs to guard the goats Just then we were passing right through a herd, which scattered to the right and left as we trotted by I told my companion that here at least there was no dog I had hardly spoken when my mule gave a start and a kick Looking round I saw a shaggy black dog trying to bite my animal

The goats are sent out in the morning in charge of these dogs which are trained to take care of the flocks In fact they are brought up with the goats as the puppies fed on goat's milk As they grow up they are sent out with them to be fed before starting If any goats are missing they get nothing at night If the flock is complete they are fed —Bolivia Cor San Francisco Chronicle

The Astors and Their Gift

The Astors have always considered themselves absolved from the obligation of giving to the city because the first of their name to acquire prominence founded the Astor library To the $400 000 which he bequeathed something like $100 000 has been added by his descendants and the addition was sorely needed I remember not long ago that you could not get at the library a bit of paper as large as your hand to take notes on If you wanted any sort of stationery you had to supply it yourself What a condition was that for a great library of the metropolis! —New York Cor Boston Record

Don't Hurry at Dinner

Eat your dinner at an hour (be it early or late) when you have time to digest it The blood like anything else in the economy of nature cannot occupy two places at once Blood used by the brain cannot at the same time be in the stomach to digest the food There is more dyspepsia from a hurried dinner in the middle of the day than from dinners eaten at night after the brain work is over —Ladies' Home Journal

A Conundrum

Mr Bones—Now sir can you tell me why an oyster dealer is like a suction pump? Interlocutor—I don't know Mr Bones why is an oyster dealer like a suction pump Mr Bones Because he works by halves Interlocutor—Mr [illegible] will sing When the [illegible] [illegible] to Turn —Rambler

The gulf is growing wide between Lazarus and Dives only the two have changed places Dives is in Abraham's bosom —Col Bob Ingersoll

A church that can't do anything but keep itself straight is a failure —Rev Sam Jones

KNOCKED OUT.

A Tale of Pure Modern Mercenary Love

CHAPTER I

It was evening in the home of Earnestine McGoozlam and it was also evening in the homes of her neighbors for several miles around

Earnestine was waiting for the arrival of Col D'Aubignac who, in the vocabulary of the race track for he once owned a horse, was aged that is to say gentle reader he was past 5 years old Indeed, he was about 47 years old and forty seven weeks past it, but of that more anon

Finally he came

When the colonel came in he at once proceeded to business

"Dearest Earnie," he remarked, with pathetic sweetness, 'am I to have my answer to-night—The answer that will make me the happiest man in Pittsburg Allegheny county, Pa?'

You are to have your answer, colonel," she replied, disengaging her hand, 'but I can't say how happy it will make you"

Nor can any tongue express it,' he said, slapping his hand on his heart with the vehement emphasis of a trip hammer dropping on a wad of red hot iron Tell it me," he continued, tell it me'

'You talk like a three-dollar-a week Romeo on the variety stage, but I'll let you have it," she said It is this 'I cannot marry you You are not wealthy Your pension is only $4 a month I am not wealthy and I have no pension I am my mother's sole support, and the $10,000 she has in real estate gives us a comfortable living without work I shall marry a wealthy man, who is twenty years younger than you are and ten years older than I am He has promised to give my mother a beautiful home and a large income, and we shall be very, very happy '

The colonel sat as one dazed

Then he got up and groped around for his hat

'Au revoir, he said as he went out

'Why did he not say adieu,' inquired the girl of herself, without eliciting a satisfactory answer

CHAPTER II

Reader, can you guess why the colonel said au revoir?

CHAPTER III

You shall be told in the last chapter

CHAPTER IV

For two long and happy years Earnestine did not see anything of Col D Aubignac It was summer, and her mother had gone to Sewickley beach for the season. One day a letter came from Earnestine's mother It was brief and to the point It said simply I was married to day and myself and husband will be at home at once Have my house opened and aired

CHAPTER V

Earnestine was rather pleased, because she had noticed that her mother was getting lonesome, and she loved her mother so that she could not bear the thought of her being unhappy

CHAPTER VI

She waited for her mother at the train

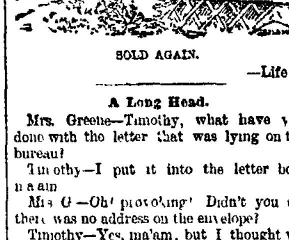
She came and with her her husband

When Earnestine saw him she fainted

It was Col D Aubignac

As a marryer he had knocked Earnestine clean out —W J Lampton in Tid Bits

Hello! There's a Cat



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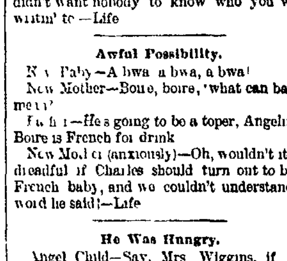

SOLD AGAIN.

—Life

A Long Head.

Mrs. Greene—Timothy, what have you done with the letter that was lying on the bureau?

Timothy—I put it into the letter box ma'am

Mrs G—Oh! provoking! Didn't you see there was no address on the envelope?

Timothy—Yes, ma'am, but I thought yer didn't want nobody to know who you was writin' to —Life

Awful Possibility.

New Baby—A bwa a bwa, a bwa!

New Mother—Boire, boire, 'what can baby mean?'

Father—He's going to be a toper, Angeline Boire is French for drink

New Mother (anxiously)—Oh, wouldn't it be dreadful if Charles should turn out to be a French baby, and we couldn't understand a word he said!—Life

He Was Hungry.

Angel Child—Say, Mrs Wiggins, if ma asks you to stay to dinner, you stay Will you?

Mrs Wiggins—Why? Would you like to have me stay my little boy?

Angel Child—You bet I would Nobody ain't stayed to dinner with us this week an' I'm dyin for a square meal —Rambler

What He Worked at During Summer

Say mister don't yer want a boy?

Are you out of work?"

Yes

What did you do during the summer?

I stuck flies onto fly paper in druggists' winders But fly time's over now "—Philadelphia Call

She Took No Stock in It.

Omaha Pater familias—It is remarkable what a large number of doctors claim that diseases are transferred by kissing, and——

Miss Ethel—What kind of doctors pa?

Why the allopathic doctors?

But pa you know we're homœopaths —Omaha World

Just Like a Man.

Little Wife—I don't think this bonnet quite suits my hair George

Husband (shortly)—Sha' thought o' that before you gave so much money for it

She—What my bonnet?

He No your hair my dear!—Punch.

LIGHT AND AIRY.

Just So.

Even the sun goes south in winter, bly to escape the rigors of our north mate —Lowell Courier

Grammatical.

I love you love —to conjugate
[illegible] verb do we commence,
A [illegible] our moods but demonstrat
The feeling is in tense —Texas Si

Once Was Enough.

Magistrate (to complainant)—You the prisoner struck you but once!

Complainant—Yes, sir

Magistrate (to prisoner)—Why did strike him the second time?

Prisoner—I didn't have to, yer hono

The Guileless Boy.

While walking at church, up the ais
The deacon one day, caused a sm
For some bad naughty boy
(Whom the Lord will destroy)
Chalked Lorrillard's plug on his

Scalding Hot.

A scientific writer tells how water boiled in a sheet of writing paper doubt it We have known a man t few lines on a sheet of writing p kept him in hot water for three year Burdette

Don't Forget This.

The man who on the downward
Incessant bums,
And recklessly says ' Mend I can
Soon one becomes!

Reward of Merit.

The rewards of literature are ver Sir Walter Scott received $10 00 Lady of the Lake,' and yet we hav twice as long for which we have offered $4, and that only on conditio wouldn't publish it P S—We $4 —R J Burdette

A Deceitful Appearanc

Your girl may be fragile –
A delicate dear,
And loll on the sofa all day
But when you would hug her
Use forty horse power
Because she is built that way
—St Pa

Waiting for the Jahrmar

The kaffee klatsch has reached There'll probably be a kirmess this winter, and a fete champetre City, and a marche aux fleurs in The jahrmarkt has yet to come t phia —Philadelphia News

A Short Intermission

You ate too much turkey
On Thanksgiving Day,
And since then your stomac
Has turned the wrong way
Let up on your mince pie
And coffee we pray,
For Christmas is only
A few steps away
—Dansvil

Seeking Free Advice.

"Dockder," he said casually to whom he met on the street, "I've cold in my head What would me to do?"

And the doctor, who doesn't giv for nothing when he can help it,

'I would advise you to buy a d handkerchiefs and then consult a —New York Sun

The Question of the H

The question of the hour may
Much mad contention in it,
But is reduced when all is told
To moment and to minute
—Tex

On Short Acquaintan

Mistress—Bridget, why on ea standing there, whistling in that

Bridget—Faith, an' didn't ye t whin that tin thing in the wall co whistle that I was to answer it? a been shtanding for the last fifte answering the ould thing wid all and it don't seem to recognize m all "—Harper's Bazar

Pathetic.

She was seventeen, bewitching, an
had no peer
Was an heiress in the millions Pa
none to fear)
And she hinted very sweetly that s
share her lot
And no doubt you wonder why I d
on the spot—
I was married

For Her Dear Sak

'Did father injure your feelin when he asked you out in the fair damsel of G street to a clerk street dry goods store

"Yes, he replied, in bitter tones, "but I can forgive him th sake, dear

"Then you will come again hopefully and brightly

"Yes, love I will come again.

'When, Harry, when?"

'When your pa is in the cold, Annie"

'No sooner than that!" she tears in her eyes.

'Well, he said, forgivingly, ' I might be induced to come to —Washington Critic

The Sin of Omissi

Yes, they say he is a Christian
'Cause he's been to Beloochistan
A preaching to the heathen mi
That he's gifted in his praying
And keeps his flock from strayin
And is noted as the kindest of

Yet when winter drear is reigni
And the cold our muscles straini
And surlily the angry tempest
When he payeth us a visit
I this question ask ' Why is it
That he'll never never, never

In Boston, of Cou

A poorly dressed woman, nevertheless there was an un of refinement and culture, appl store for aid

'I've got nothing for you to-morrow about this time,' re

'I regret exceedingly that I modate you, but to morrow at be delivering a lecture to t Ethical Culture on the 'Wh Was'

The clerk handed out a Siftings

Perfectly Clea

The difference twixt duds
Mos' any one can see
Analysis at once conclude
They're only saved by '

A Pretty Broad

L'homme propose et Dieu d
Translate that please for
'Tis man proposes God dis
That's what it means said

What man proposes " she
Then looking far away
Across the landscape, she inc
How does he do it, pray?

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LOCAL NEWS.

—There are four occupants of the county jail at present

—A Bury has sold the Jackson barber shop to Wm Carse

—Miss Kelly Mount, of North Lewisburg is visiting in the city

Ed Belcher is erecting a new dwelling house on Cherry street

W G McEdwards has gone up the C and A on a business trip

—Mr Nichols, of Canton, was in town a couple days visiting friends

H S Peters, from Lima, was in the city Wednesday on business

Peter Exster, of Delaware, was in the city Wednesday on business

A sentence of 30 days and $67 50 is not to be desired in stealing chickens

Business for the past few days has been quite dull among the merchants

Attorney S C Kingman of Mt Gilead, was in the city attending court.

Attorney J W Barry of Cardington, was attending Common Pleas court

—Lewis Mayer has been on the sick list for a few days past, but not seriously

Joseph Lindsay went to Caledonia Thursday afternoon to see his best girl

John Hazelwood, of Delaware, was in the city Wednesday transacting business

W A Turney is down sick at his home on East Center street but not seriously, it is hoped

John Mutsell took Marshal Buennecke's place as guardian of the public peace for a few days

John Alsdorf, of Ashland was in the city Wednesday visiting friends and transacting business

—The case of Pat Finn, for stealing a rubber overcoat, will come off Saturday in Probate court

The case in court Thursday is styled Roberts vs Likens Suit was brought by the plaintiff to annul an old mortgage

Harry Smith a passenger conductor on the C and A, was taken sick Wednesday Joe D P took his run out on train 5

—The local write up of Green Camp and vicinity is promised the fifty new readers of the Weekly will not be given until next week

—[illegible] Hume arrived in the city Thursday He says he proposes to decorate his native heath with California plumes, which he is selling

—D Adams, a young physician, died at Marseilles the cause of his death being an overdose of chloral, taken for nervous troubles

—M B Chase was at Columbus Thursday on legal business and matters pertaining to the I O O F of A lodge, of which he is State President

—W P Kraner, the tailor, feels almost too big to reside with safety on Gospel Hill A boy baby and the first, too, is why Pete has enlarged so suddenly

The farmers have shown some appreciation of our devotion of four columns of matter to their institute No other paper in Marion county has ever done the like

Two sheriff's sales are advertised to sell on Christmas day Rather peculiar way of [illegible] but the fellow that is always looking up forced bargains will be there

—Marshal Buennecke went to Cleveland Thursday morning with Ed Coonfare, the chicken thief, who will work out a term of about six months in the Cleveland workhouse

On an examination made by Dr McMurray on the wound of Allen who was shot by the marshal of Edison, it was found that it would be less dangerous to have the ball remain where it was than extricate it

—A dog fight took place Thursday on Center street, between two of the most ferocious terriers in the city A crowd of about forty people gathered about the scene to witness the affair and to spur on the dogs to renewed efforts

—M R Payne agent of the U S express, was at Indianapolis last week attending the hearing of the company's case in court against the C and A and Erie Dick has been fixing up his office, which goes to show that the company expects to remain here

The Art Club reception at City Hall, Wednesday evening, was a splendid success The attendance was large, the entertainment pleasing and the sales good The City Hall never presented such a beautiful appearance before The reception was continued Thursday evening

—Policeman Masterson went to Galion Tuesday and brought back Ed Confare who is charged with stealing chickens last Saturday night from Thomas Butler He entered a plea of guilty before the Mayor, and was fined and costed to the amount of $60 and in default goes to the Cleveland workhouse for about five months

—Marshal Buennecke went to Upper Sandusky from Cleveland where he had been [illegible] the trial of Mike Hickman, the [illegible] Hickman for years was the terror [illegible] the northern part of this county and the [illegible] part of Wyandot He, together [illegible] their considered no act which [illegible] undertake as unlawful and [illegible] with impunity acts which called [illegible] action on the part of the authorities

—H P Gifford a former teacher in the [illegible] schools is now editing the [illegible] The following paragraph [illegible] is very applicable to Ma[illegible] not violating confidence [illegible] that four of our best [illegible] men will in the near future [illegible] of single blessedness [illegible] the fire of matrimony [illegible] of getting up the morn[illegible]

On Monday evening last a [illegible] of the relatives and friends [illegible] Otis gathered at her residence [illegible] street, and gave the lady [illegible] surprise, an the [illegible] of her [illegible] anniversary [illegible] [illegible] mind reverts to the [illegible] the relatives and friends [illegible] were present from other [illegible] Otis was made the recipient of [illegible] handsome presents

—Charley Criswell went to Columbus Friday morning

—The skating rink is to be put up at Sheriff's sale next Monday

—Ed Powers Bee Line operator at Anderson Ind is in the city

—There will be a packed house for Hoodman Blind company

—M R Harrison of Caledonia has spent most of the week in this city

—John Lutz of Ontario was in the city Thursday transacting business

—Godfrey Leffler was in Springfield Thursday, on a short business trip

—Peter DeBright, of Mansfield, was in the city Thursday, transacting business

—M J Regan of Dayton, an engineer on the N Y and O, stopped over in the city Friday

—M Wadsworth, of Cleveland, auditor of the N Y, P and O railroad was in the city Friday

—P DeHart, of Ashland, was in the city Thursday looking after his interests and visiting friends

Merchants report a slack season just at the present time Possibly this is the lull before the storm

—Mr Charles Wiley has received his certificate admitting him to the Brokers' Association of America

—The American Express company has a new sign suspended over the doorway of their office in this place.

—Thomas Hemington of Galion was in the city Friday He has been connected with the N Y, P and O railroad

—Tom Joy, the Bee Line operator, is laying off for the holidays Chris Campbell is working days and Ed Powers at nights

—Miss Jennie Gibbs has not been in her accustomed position in the Huber office this week, being kept at home in ill health

—Vint Berry has returned from the West where he has spent the past two months on the Berry ranch, near Medicine Lodge Kansas

—Miss Mary Bunker has returned from Urbana and Piqua, where she has been teaching painting, and is now ready to give lessons here

—Attorney S A Court was admitted to the practice of law before the United State court, receiving his commission at Toledo, O, Thursday

—The official organs are advertising school examinations to occur "Nov 6 and 27, 1886" Rather late, isn't it, for such high priced advertising?

—Thomas Bolander, of this city, who is teaching school in the Smeltzer district south of town, is reported to have received a fractured rib by being kicked by a horse Monday evening

—The Prospect Roller Rink promises rare attractions Christmas afternoon and evening, and invites the Marion skaters to attend Music in abundance and various amusing attractions are announced

—Messrs Hays and Burt, of Galion were in attendance at the regular conclave of Marion Commandery, Knights Templar Thursday evening Mr Hays is Eminent Commander of Mansfield Commandery

—We see by the Tuscarawas Chronicle that the Cannon Ball railroad project is booming in that locality and the Mt Gilead papers are teeming with cheering news about the Black Diamond in Morrow county

—Hoodman Blind Co gave us one night on their way from New York to Chicago Saturday night was the only night the company could be secured, as they open a protracted engagement in Chicago the Monday following

—Though not formally declared Mr S A Court has received the requisite number of votes to make him Grand Chancellor of the K of P Lodge of Ohio Steve no doubt, feels highly elated over this exceptional honor

—At the regular conclave of Marion Commandery Knights Templar Thursday evening Messrs F H Tristram Sidney Young, Fred Haberman J B Fisher Harry Culbertson and R Ove Hopkins were given the first Templar degree

—R D Hughes supt of the American Express company, was in the city Friday looking after the construction of the new freight wareroom of the American Express company at the junction The building will be 16x25, and a frame structure Work will be commenced this week

—Mr and Mrs R S Quigley of Union City Ind are happy over the birth of a baby boy that has greatly enhanced their marital joy The birth makes Mrs M C Sargent on east Center street, a great grandmother placing her at the head of four generations and she feels highly elated over the unusual distinction

—J C Mullay business manager of the "Prisoner for Life" company, was in the city Thursday arranging for the company's appearance at Music Hall, December 23d The well known managers Shook & Collier are proprietors of the company and play, a fact that guarantees its excellence or its equality to "Storm Beaten" or the "Lights O' London"

—Caledonia Argus It was rumored in town last week that if Marion did not throw out of her coffers [illegible] with respect to the projected branch of the Black Diamond railroad from Fredericktown to that place the probability was that Col Boone would run his line in at Caledonia [illegible] come This is a good point for a junction and shops and the water here is of first rate quality

—A dispatch from Urbana says There are indications of a well planned design to burn the barns of the farmers [illegible] near this city In the fore part of last week the barn of Simeon Taylor [illegible] was entirely consumed by a fire of a mysterious origin entailing a loss of [illegible] night about [illegible] Ephraim Powell residing two miles [illegible] west of here caught fire from an unknown source and burned down It was [illegible] with agricultural implements including a self binder all of which was burned involving a total loss of $[illegible] It is difficult to account for the fires on any other theory than that of the work of an incendiary

COURT NOTES

Common Pleas court again [illegible] Tuesday with Hon [illegible] of Wyandot on the bench The business transacted that afternoon was the hearing of a few motions and the decree of divorce granted [illegible] B M Cannon from his wife [illegible] M M Cannon

Tuesday morning the case of W H Dick [illegible] vs Sargent [illegible] was heard The action is brought to effect a settlement of the Three Locust Flouring Mill partnership the mill having stood idle and useless for nearly four years The decision is in the bowels of the court

Tuesday afternoon was almost entirely consumed by the trial of the case of Hopkins administrator against the N Y P and O Railway company After the examination of the entire list of the plaintiff's witnesses the court very summarily set down on the case Without asking testimony from the defense the court ordered the jury to find a verdict for the defendant on the grounds that even the plaintiff's witnesses showed no cause of action on account of defendant's negligence The attorneys were very much discomfited by the short manner of disposal

After granting a divorce to Mary Brooks a jury was impanelled Wednesday morning, and the case of Rhuermund vs Rush was taken up The case excited no especial interest other than in the danger of the plaintiff's attorney suffering bodily injury from the hands of defendant who is a woman

The case of Rice administrator vs John Evans was continued This suit is for 10 000 damages claimed by defendant because of the killing of young Brenneman by the falling of a derrick in Evans quarry over a year ago The killing was always regarded purely accidental and there is thought to be little in the case

The case of Turner vs Tomish has been dismissed Messrs Payne and Tristram attorneys on one side consented to the dismissal claiming it was a good case but without fees and should therefore be set aside

RAILROAD NEWS

General Superintendent Carr of the Columbus Hocking Valley and Toledo says that the coal traffic is very heavy at this time The Hocking Valley seems to be booming in spite of all

The C and A is rushed with the enormous freight business of the N Y P and O and the Hocking Valley A great deal of the inconvenience now attending the transportation of freight will be obviated when the new engines of the C and A are put on

It was announced recently that the Erie had been obliged to get an entrance for its express into Chicago via Mansfield on the Baltimore and Ohio It is now said in the past few days that such an arrangement can not be permanent and it seems as though it could not, for the Erie would come in direct competition in that territory with the Baltimore and Ohio's [illegible]

Caledonia [illegible]

[From the Argus]

The last brick is laid in the [illegible] building and the roof completed

Mike Morris is again home from a [illegible] trip to the Southwest as far as Texas

We understand that [illegible] W [illegible] has sold his sixty acres of land to W M Conter

The Bee Line has extended their spur at this place, east to the stave factory This will be a great convenience to Messrs Thew & Dilts

We are sorry to have to chronicle another accident for Tommy Foos While he was going home on horseback one day last week, the horse jumped in such a manner as to throw him on the pommel of the saddle injuring him severely

It is thought that the Latimerville mail carrier took some bad medicine last week as he came away without his mail pouch but after driving some distance on the road he came to himself and returned to the office for his mail We understand he took some oysters that did not materialize

On Saturday morning about nine o'clock the house belonging to the widow Clouse in Canaan township was discovered to be on fire The house is rented by Henry Groves, who was not at home, and had it not been for the prompt action of some of the neighbors the whole structure would have been destroyed As it was the roof and partition were burned and a quantity of clothing belonging to Mrs Groves was destroyed The fire is supposed to have originated from the upper portion of the flue

Wonderful Success

The Great Chicago Clothing Co have met with wonderful success in closing out the mammoth stock of clothing [illegible] seized by a Western sheriff

Although the largest [illegible] sold clothing at the following prices

Mens Heavy Cassimere Suits $2 75 actually worth $10 00

Mens heavy Melton Overcoats [illegible] actually worth $9 00

Mens heavy Cassimere pants 95 cts actually worth $2 75

Mens Extra heavy Cassimere suits $[illegible] actually worth $16 00

Mens all wool [illegible] suits [illegible] actually worth $[illegible]

Mens all wool [illegible] $[illegible] 10 75 actually worth $[illegible]

Boys [illegible] heavy Cassimere suits actually worth $8

Mens fine imported Corkscrew [illegible] silk [illegible] and custom made $[illegible] worth $20

[illegible] undershirts and drawers 20 cts actually worth 50 cts

Mens heavy rubber suspenders 10 cts actually worth [illegible]

[illegible] all lines complete [illegible]

[illegible] Main [illegible] Great Chicago Clothing Co [illegible]

—[illegible] and [illegible] at the First Congregational church [illegible] New York under [illegible] Manhattan Philharmonic [illegible] by W H Pontius [illegible] the charming so[illegible] and intro[illegible] song with the [illegible] stated that it was [illegible] and a rare musical treat, indeed

SHOT IN THE NECK.

[illegible] ALLEN SHOT BY OFFICER BROWN OF EDISON,

While Attempting to Escape His Colleague, Henry Boedker, and Himself Now Lodged in Marion County Jail for the Burglaries Committed at Caledonia Friday Night

Wednesday evening rumor had it that a young man from Marion had been shot by the marshal of Edison but nothing definite regarding this matter was had until about 12 o'clock of the same evening when the marshal of Caledonia brought two prisoners to the county jail who had been bound over to court by a J P of the latter place

It will be remembered that on last Friday night a hardware store, a tin shop and a dry goods house were burglarized The marshal of Caledonia could give no information regarding the thieves and telegraphed the neighboring towns to be on the lookout for two young looking fellows

Two young men were seen in the neighborhood of the town Friday evening and the authorities were enabled to give a partial description of the supposed thieves

On Tuesday afternoon the marshal of Edison was informed that a man answering the description telegraphed by the Caledonia marshal was seen lounging in one of the saloons of the town On arriving at the place the marshal informed the young man that he was under arrest, at which the questionable young man asked if he had a warrant for his arrest The marshal replied that he had not when the young man jumped to his feet and ran for all he was worth The marshal being quite fleet on foot was enabled to keep up at a respectful distance from the young man whom he was pursuing He, in the meantime kept up a steady fire on the young man sending several shots after him but none taking effect

After the young man had become completely exhausted he stopped and informed the marshal that if he had a warrant for his arrest he would give himself up The marshal said he had no warrant but would arrest him all the same At this juncture the young man turned and reached back as if to draw a revolver when the marshal leveled his pistol and shot the man on the left jaw bone the ball glancing downward and lodging near the jugular vein No difficulty was now experienced in taking the young man and on Wednesday he was taken to Caledonia where he was bound over to court

Henry Boedker was arrested at Cardington [illegible] remonstrance on his part and was also bound over to court

Allen is probably 18 years of age, while Boedker is probably 17

A STAR man in a conversation with Boedker gleaned the following

In answer to a question put to him by a STAR man as to where he was on Friday night he replied

I [illegible]

[illegible] night?

[illegible]

"Did you meet Allen there?"

"Yes"

"How long were you with him?"

"Half an hour"

"Did you separate then?"

"Yes"

"Had you any knives with you?"

"I found about a dozen in the woods"

"Did you ever meet Allen before?"

"No"

The story Allen gives of their acquaintance is somewhat different The following is the substance of an interview with him

He said that he became acquainted with Boedker at Edison, and that they remained together for about a day

In this it will be readily seen that there is a lie somewhere

He said he was at Caledonia on Friday night but got out of the town in half an hour He didn't know anything about a burglary, and didn't see any knives Didn't know of any and didn't commit any burglary Said the marshal run up on him and when within a few feet of him drew his revolver and shot him in the face

The pistol used by the marshal was a 32-calibre Allen is at present doing nicely, and does not complain of much pain

THE COUNCIL IN CONFERENCE

An Informal Meeting of the Council Wednesday Evening to Consider the Question of Waterworks

Wednesday evening the members of the council assembled at their chamber to discuss the waterworks question Mr Blakely from Alliance was here representing the largest firms in the country, and on his behalf the members of the council and those interested in waterworks repaired to the [illegible] headquarters to hear what he might have to say on the subject

The usual amount of time was consumed by the members in getting in readiness for the business of the evening after which Mr Blakely gave a succinct and well delivered treatise on waterworks It was determined that water could not be procured in sufficient quantities in this immediate neighborhood and that it would be necessary to lay pipes from here to the Big Scioto six and one half miles to get the adequate supply

The object of piping to the Scioto is [illegible] In the first place the citizens would [illegible] apprehensions of a failure [illegible] sufficient supply [illegible] The natural growth [illegible] would sug[illegible] possible exhaustion of springs [illegible] the supply was drawn from [illegible] this would be entirely obviated

[illegible] unanimous [illegible] and to this po[illegible] contract [illegible] bonds [illegible] No estimate [illegible] furnish [illegible] of piping from here [illegible] Scioto but it is self [illegible] will be [illegible] reason

One of the commendable features of the meeting was that none of those harangues [illegible] sufficient amount of water within the suburbs for the waterworks supply was sprung They have long ago become [illegible] and the meeting was remarkably free from them No company will undertake to place waterworks here unless the supply of water is drawn from the Big Scioto

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At the last meeting of the County Board of Examiners the following persons were granted certificates [illegible]

[illegible] Cardington	12 months
[illegible] Hill Caledonia	12 "
[illegible] Curtis	12
[illegible]	24 "
[illegible] Agosta	12
[illegible] Marion	12
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] Morral	18 "
[illegible] Wynn Prospect	12

No more examinations will be held until January

MARRIED

LaPRAY—FINK—At [illegible] Ohio on the evening of the 12th of December 1885, by S B Marshall J P Mr Allison F Berry to Miss Lettie A Fink both of Marion county

Yes, They Have

Lots of that nice Massillon coal at Prendergasts.

Hoodman Blind

We desire to congratulate the manager of Music Hall for securing Wilson Barrett & Henry A Jones famous play, Hoodman Blind

Most of our people who are posted in dramatic news know the immense success of this play as presented in London and New York We understand that it was almost impossible to get this company to play here, and we trust that the patrons of Music Hall will all go out Saturday evening thereby encouraging the manager in bringing that class of entertainments here

Piles Blind, Bleeding, and Itching

Positively cured by Darbys Prophylactic Fluid Bathe with a little of the Fluid added to the water A single application will allay the itching, soothe all inflammation, deodorize all offensiveness and stanch the bleeding Tetter and Scald Head [illegible] quickly cured by Darbys Prophylactic Fluid.

WHAT IS THE USE?

A Protest Against Some of the Things Taught in Schools

What's the use of making a man's talk so ornamental that you don't know what he means when he's done speaking? What's the use of forty pound [illegible] ment to a carriage except to make it heavier to draw?

What if the sun is ninety odd millions of miles from the earth? Who is the gainer or loser by it? What state would a man's mind be in were it thought necessary, in order to be educated, to know how far we are from 10,000 other stars? Would life be worth living if we had to keep posted on the distance of every star as soon as the astronomer had calculated it? What do we learn things for anyway? To have them in case they're wanted? Would you carry a pump in your trunk because you thought you might want it some time or other? Or learn all the ropes in a ship if you never expected to go to sea? If you are going to New York you study the route to New York. You don't care, then, to study the route to Omaha. When I went to school I learned things I never had any use for. They put pumps in my trunk to pack about all my life. Is anybody the happier for knowing that Columbus discovered America in 1492? Will the knowledge of this get you into society or a government office or credit for a week's board? Is it ornamental? Does it polish you or veneer or make you more respectable? Well, where is the good of it anyway? I would pause for a reply if the train could wait. I have pondered over this problem for years.

The fact seems to me to be about as valuable as a pump in my trunk packed about for fear I may find myself in some place where they have no pumps. What did they educate me for? To think I could get no water unless I had a pump though the Mississippi flowed past my door and bushels of tin dippers were lying along the banks? What profits it me that Tennessee is bounded on the north by Kentucky? Has this fact made my morals or digestion better or worse? They told me when a child at school that I should find out the use of these things when I grew up. Well, I grew up. But I never found out. I think now they lied. I don't believe they knew what they were talking about. I spent three years of my boyhood learning what states were at the top and what were at the bottom of each other. I think now the time was better spent when I "played hookey" and fished in the otter pond.

Why was I taught in the "speller and definer" that the meaning of "illustrious" was famous, and when I asked the meaning of famous I was told it was to be illustrious? Was this fair? Was it any wonder that a good boy should turn his book into a nest of dog's ears and catch flies for a living in school when treated thus? What moral garbage they used to sweep into our heads in those little odoriferous red school houses! One incentive given us was that any boy might become the president of the United States. Now the position is hardly respectable and not near as profitable as that of a bank cashier or a New York alderman. The president is only boss of the rotary office machine. Were not we taught that we should be beggars if we didn't get our lessons? Didn't the boy who wouldn't get his lessons and couldn't turn out the richest man when he grew up? Didn't he commence as a rum swiller and end by filling an honored congressman's grave? Isn't the smart boy of the school, who did get his lessons, and went through college and became a professor, now starving in a publishing house making more school books on $10 per week? Isn't life hard enough and heavy enough without packing the burden of such a lot of lies on a poor boy's back to trot through the weary world with?—Prentice Mulford in San Francisco Chronicle.

Unique Variety of Tobogganing.

Amusements are always at the command of the ingenious. Even the exciting sport of tobogganing is not confined to the rich, who can go to Montreal in the winter or coast down broad staircases on thick mats in the summer. The urchins of Hester street have invented a variation of the Canadian style that is unique, inexpensive and within the reach of all. I saw one yesterday, perhaps the genius who devised it, introducing toboggan riding to an admiring constituency. He had found a large tin pan, too leaky to hold any liquid and not quite leaky enough for an ash sieve.

He had obtained a few feet of clothes line, one end of which he made fast to the pan. Running behind a large wagon he took a turn with the rope around the axle, retained the loose end in his hand and sat down in the pan. As the wagon moved off he bumped joyously along over the cobblestones on his sheet iron toboggan, heading a procession of ragged imps all clamoring for the privilege of the next ride. The advantage of this sport is that you do not have to climb a hill for the fun of sliding back. To return to the starting point it is necessary only to wait for a wagon going that way and take a fast. The value of cast off tin pans is rising in the side streets.—"Uncle Bill" in Chicago Herald.

Characteristics of the Long Island Farmer

All things else may wax and wane, but not the Long Island farmer. As lived his forefathers so lives he. He is unchanged and unchangeable. "A phlegmatic conservative old soul," says the student of human nature. "The tightest man on the face of the earth," exclaims the land speculator. "A quaint, charming people living after the customs of their forefathers," gushes the summer visitor. This latter is true.

A sharper contrast is nowhere else afforded between the past and present than on Long Island, the favorite watering place of the United States and at the same time the home and ancient heritage of the Long Island farmer. New Yorkers are fast getting possession of the island and in proportion are transforming it, but adjoining their grounds and villas stands the old farm house with its weather beaten shingled sides, its double doors and wooden shutters which are as securely closed at night as in the days when the Indians lurked around. The old farmer may count his money by thousands, but he clings to the primitive ways of his ancestors. The old fashioned hit and miss carpets with the breadths overlapping each other, the mahogany chest of drawers, the high post bedstead and the ancient timepiece still grace the rooms. Every Saturday the brisk housewife scrubs and sands the floor and paints the bricks before the fireplace. The unchanged customs in the farming settlements [illegible] visitors. A lady [illegible] was heard frequently exclaiming, "Why, that is just the way my mother did it." The progress of the Nineteenth century is nowhere visible.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

He Chased a Shadow

As the engineer of engine 1,247 on the Wabash pulled out of Gives en route for Ottumwa one evening recently he noticed what appeared to be an animal running along the track ahead of the train. Gradually he increased the speed of the locomotive, but the little quadruped seemed also to have dropped [illegible] and despite the tremendous [illegible] expression the engineer began heaving chunks of coal at it, but all in vain. It seemed to bear a charmed life, and successfully baffled all endeavors of the engineer and fireman to check its wild career. For [illegible] some miles the engineer had chased that delusive object and thoroughly disgusted he gave up the race at Ottumwa and stopped. The object stopped also. With his pick in hand the engineer made a sneak on the animal, harmless but possessed of such anomalous migratory powers. With quick precision he brought the pick down full on the animal's back, but a sickening thud was the only sound he heard, and with a wild laugh he arose [illegible] to be a raving maniac. For a full hour he had been making desperate efforts to run over the shadow of a leaf adhering to the head light, and the discovery and reaction was too much for his already shattered nerves.—Burlington Hawkeye.

The Dragon in Chinese Joss Houses

Perhaps the most familiar form of all is the dragon that seems to have an especially strong hold upon the Chinese as well as St. George. Some houses of worship, called popularly joss houses, are known to true believers as temples of the Dragon King. The dragon in some shape is seen about nearly every house of worship. To it the Charleston laundrymen, if there were any, probably laid the earthquake in August, and the San Francisco devouts call to mind this terrible monster whenever any convulsion occurs here. The ordinary dragon would pass for the American sea serpent as depicted by the average landlord about September 1. Long and snake like, covered with scales, painted red or gilded, its caudal fin a set of streamers, the dorsal like a huge saw, it presents an uncanny appearance, yet is picturesque. The head is simply appalling, the mouth enormous—a red cavernous abyss, with a plentiful supply of teeth, from among which extends the tongue. Well made dragons generally have a mustache. Snakes of all kinds are considered as the earthly manifestations of the dragon and consequently occasionally are worshiped.—San Francisco Call.

Gansevoort Market, New York

An open square, divided by numerous paved walks, on one side the river and its moving panorama as a background, on the other three sides large stores where all sorts of provisions can be procured. Along the pavements in the square long lines of country wagons laden with fresh fruits and vegetables, which are sold in retail quantities at wholesale prices. Up and down the pavements tramp purchasers with baskets, who pick out their own corn, peaches, beans, salads and potatoes, and exchange chaff with the handsome farmer lads. Among them are large buyers—keepers of hotels and boarding houses, perchance—who have their goods carried to a central barrel which is guarded by a messenger boy.

The sight is pretty and lively, quaint and enterprising. If it were in London or Paris the New Yorkers on a tour would get up early to see it and write letters to the American newspapers about it. As it is, right here in New York, at Gansevoort market nobody ever thinks of paying it a visit, unless bent upon a little marketing racket. Artists who are always grumbling at their lack of subjects and taking tours abroad to find something to paint, would discover genre pictures ready to be transformed to canvas by taking the street cars to Gansevoort.—New York Star.

It Was a Big Day

The Princess Wilhelmine, heir to the throne of Holland, has lately celebrated her sixth birthday anniversary. On that occasion the queen invited to the royal palace all children born on the same day as the princess and treated them to a banquet and presents of toys. A surprising number responded to the call, and though the queen welcomed them all she was heard to remark that the 31st of August, 1880, must have been the greatest day for births on record.—Foreign Letter.

The Queen as an Artist

It is not generally known how excellent an artist is her majesty the queen, who in spite of political worries and domestic anxieties has in company with Princess Beatrice devoted many hours this autumn to the pleasure of sketching. Some of the princess' sketches then are destined when finished for exhibition next season. It is a pity her majesty cannot be prevailed upon to give the public a chance of also admiring her really clever productions.—London World.

Not at All Satisfied

Virginie had just made her debut at a third rate theatre. It consisted in her appearance on the stage and saying, "Did madame ring?" The next day she met a newspaper man of her acquaintance, who thus accosted her: "Well, Virginie, how goes it?" Whereupon Virginie, assuming the air of a great actress, remarked: "I am not at all satisfied with the press."—Tid Bits.

A Reprehensible Custom

Ask a man regarding what he knows and the answer will prove satisfactory. What makes most men appear ignorant is the reprehensible custom obtaining among questioners in the practice of catechising him about things with which he is entirely unfamiliar.—Boston Transcript.

When Hangings Should Take Place

Only about one half of the governors of hanging states now observe Friday as hangman's day. If their murderers had the sense to [illegible] the ill luck which still attaches to the [illegible] many minds would [illegible]. All murderers should [illegible] the first of the week.—Detroit Free Press.

Postoffices in the Dominion

There is one postoffice to every 633 people in Canada, and the Dominion has more postoffices to the same number of people than any other country in the world. In this republic there is one postoffice to every 1,100 inhabitants.—Chicago Times.

Abject poverty is the only pursuit which can [illegible] a European nobleman [illegible] marrying an American woman, says a letter writer on the other side.

The Prince of Wales has set the fashion of wearing wide and curly brimmed hats in England.—Chicago Herald.

A BUREAU FOR PUFFS.

HOW PEOPLE ARE SUPPLIED WITH NEWS ABOUT THEMSELVES

Authors, Actors and Statesmen Paying Men to Read for Them—Gould, Field and Vanderbilt—Laws and Statistics—Some Curious Orders

Everybody knows the man whose attention has been called to an article in the paper. He is very numerous. Doubtless editors have long wondered if there were not some people in the world who devoted their time to calling the attention of other people to newspaper articles. Perhaps this first suggested to a New York journalist the idea of establishing a bureau for the accommodation of persons who desire to have their attention called to what the newspapers say about them. At all events he did start such a concern and it is now running in full blast. He employed men to read the papers for folks who don't have a very high opinion of the press, never look at the paper and don't care what the papers say about them, and these men keep a lot of boys on the jump all day pasting and mailing the clippings. The list of subscribers is long and includes people in every profession and line of business. The bureau receives all the daily, weekly and monthly publications of this country and the principal papers of foreign countries, and the readers go through about 2,000 every day.

ACTORS AND AUTHORS

Actors of course are patrons of the bureau, and although they are notoriously vain their vanity has a business side. Newspaper fame is a part of their stock in trade and notices have an actual value to them. The more an actor is talked about the better his chances of getting engagements. And then an actor wants to know what the critics say of his work in order to be able to correct his faults. If he brings out a new play it is important that he should know how it is received. Artists who are peculiarly sensitive to criticism want all the notices of their pictures and information about sales, exhibitions, galleries and new collections. Authors are liberal patrons of the bureau. Some of them want personal notices and criticisms, but most of them want articles on topics useful to them in compiling new books.

A great many congressmen discover through the bureau how their votes, speeches and bills have affected public opinion in their districts. Foreign ministers get important information about the countries to which they are accredited, trade relations, etc. During the Cutting imbroglio Senor Don Romero, Mexican minister, was supplied with 1,820 articles on the affair, and so obtained a complete epitome of American, English and French newspaper opinions which were very valuable to him. The civil service commission is a good customer and gets much interesting reading matter, not always of a gratifying nature.

Jay Gould is profoundly indifferent to newspaper talk and hasn't the slightest desire to see what is said about him. But his partner, Washington E. Connor, is a subscriber, and if the little king of Wall street does not know everything that is said by the press and public speakers about him and his doings it is because he can't read. Cyrus W. Field has his attention called to articles that interest him, and doubtless has accumulated a mass of valuable information about movements, revolutionary history, dynamite and patriotism. When William H. Vanderbilt died the bureau furnished to the family 5,000 obituaries and editorials on the millionaire, and strange to say there were no rough or ill natured ones in the lot, which must have been a pleasant surprise to the family.

LAWS AND STATISTICS

City, state and national departments are supplied with decisions, new laws, statistics, comments, etc., and legal reports and other matters relating to practice are furnished to a long list of lawyers. Railway corporations are supposed to be impervious to public opinion, but all the principal lines are down on the books for newspaper attacks, legislation and everything affecting the railroad business. With most of the subscribers it is pure business. Manufacturers, contractors and builders want to know where work in their line is contemplated and what improvements are made in methods of doing work. A wine dealer wants to know in advance about big gatherings like Odd Fellows' conventions, public banquets, swell receptions and weddings, so that he may get in ahead of other dealers and supply the champagne. If the king of Dahomey thinks of reorganizing his army some manufacturer of rifles wants to hear about it in time to send an agent over there with samples of guns.

After the Charleston earthquake Maj. Powell of the United States geological survey wrote to the bureau: "Clip all criticisms, theories and opinions of value touching the recent earthquake." Two other subscribers, one a famous astronomer, telegraphed to the bureau to add earthquake theories to their previous orders, and a queer collection of cranks' ideas he must have [illegible]. One subscriber wanted all death notices promptly, and located himself near the bureau to get them as soon as printed in city papers. As soon as he got a death notice he would rush around and try to sell a new kind of mourning card to the bereaved relatives. An enterprising undertaker also subscribes for death notices.

SOME CURIOUS ORDERS

[illegible] some very curious orders [illegible] the following are [illegible] surgical operations. [illegible] of dogs. Fashion articles describing new dresses on the stage or at balls or describing the styles of new [illegible] introduced. Bank robberies [illegible]. Socialistic fomentations which may lead to riots. "All [illegible]." Appearance of cholera and [illegible]. Utah legislation [illegible]. Large forest fires. [illegible] suffrage. Love courtship [illegible]. Engagements of prominent society people. Liquor traffic on [illegible] Niagara or any part of [illegible]. Impure water supply of cities [illegible]. Railway development in [illegible]. Precious stones, [illegible]. Amateur acting. [illegible] Liberty. Conundrums [illegible]

[illegible] the whispering gallery [illegible] are country paper [illegible] with established torial [illegible] railway monopolists and [illegible] takes his summer vacation [illegible] writes to the superintendent of a [illegible] for a pass all over the country he [illegible] he doesn't get it. The explanation is that the president of that road has had his attention called to everything said about his company in the public press.—New York Cor. Philadelphia Times.

PERSONS OF PROMINENCE

Senator Cameron has named his new baby Martha, after its mother.

It is reported that Senator Vest paid $7,000 for his new residence in Washington.

During the year ending Oct. 31 M. Pasteur inoculated 2,490 patients—about seven a day.

Five of New York's governors are still living—three in retirement and two in active life.

The title of Gen. Butler's new lecture is "The Part Massachusetts Took in the War of the Rebellion."

Henry Ward Beecher says he has no sympathy with eight hour men who have fourteen hour wives.

Senator Palmer, who is now in Europe with Mrs. Palmer, is expected to return the first week in January.

Although Senator Beck has been forty years or more in this country he still speaks with a broad Scotch accent.

Senator Mahone is said to have made $40,000 by the recent advance in the stock of the Richmond and Danville road.

Secretary Whitney has taken to raising chickens at his country home near Washington. His efforts among the feathered flock are said to be successful.

Henry George is going to publish a weekly paper in New York in the interests of all who work with hand and brain. He says some of the best writers in the country will be on the staff.

Roscoe Conkling appears to have a wonderful faith in his profession. He said the other day that he had never looked upon the face of a lawyer who he believed would sell out his client.

Theodore Roosevelt, the ex candidate of New York Republicans for mayor, has been put up for honorary membership of the London Athenaeum club and will be elected under a suspension of the rules. He is to be married shortly.

Cardinal Newman receives only a few privileged visitors at the oratory in Birmingham now. He rises at 5 every morning, shaves himself, makes his own bed and spends the rest of the day in study and devotion. He goes to bed at 10.

Rev. Dr. Frank S. Norton, recently dean of the Albany Episcopal cathedral and now rector of the St. Stephens church, Lynn, Mass., is probably the richest clergyman in the United States. His mother has just died and left him a large fortune.

Mr. Wilson Barrett, the English actor, thinks Gen. [illegible] Sherman is the most interesting man he has met in this country. Gen. Sherman entertained him recently recounting his war experiences, and now the actor wonders why the general doesn't mount the lecture platform.

The friends of Col. Gilder, who is looking for the north pole, have decided to send the plucky searcher supplies at Cape Sabine or Cape Isabella, in the spring. Col. Gilder has written to New York that he will follow the route taken by Brainard, who has been nearer the north pole than any other living man.

It is getting to be more and more the practice among prominent men to conceal their whereabouts in large cities by not registering on the hotel books. This, however, seems to be a useless precaution, as their names always appear in the newspapers, and the name of the hotel they stay at is invariably given.

When Frederick Douglass was married to his present wife a year or so ago many "respectable" people refused to meet the new couple because the husband was partly black and the wife wholly white. The other day [illegible] Frederick's [illegible] senator [illegible] gallery where Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] were sitting, and he noted the latter [illegible] palatial [illegible] where the party [illegible].

CURIOSITIES OF LIFE

An 8 year old son of C. W. Salie, of La Moure county, D. T., has plowed 267 acres of ground with an ox team this fall.

A cave has been discovered at Rushford, Minn., which consists of three distinct rooms varying in width from 4 to 15 feet and making a total length of 92 feet. It is perfectly dry and apparently hewn from the solid rock.

A young man in Winston county, Mich., concluded he would get married in a brand new suit without paying for it. He got the suit on credit from a merchant and after he was married returned it, claiming that it was a misfit.

John Forquen of Reading, Mich., was shot in the leg in 1862. The bullet was not extracted. A few days ago he jumped from a thrashing machine to the ground. By this act the bullet was forced through the skin and was readily removed.

Mrs. [illegible] Russell, of Hart, Mich., was told by a lumber firm of Pentwater that she could have shingles enough to reroof the congregational church in her town if she would haul them away. She had an enormous rack made and drove home with the largest load that ever left the yard.

[illegible] L. Allen, aged 60 years, and Eliza [illegible], aged 53 years, a happy couple [illegible] county, Pa., were recently married in Philadelphia. At the conclusion of the ceremony they made a bridal tour through Independence square and inspected the relics in the museum of the hall.

Several Salt Lake people who, having no social standing, have been affected by the recent strike in the Comstock lode, which caused a boom in stocks. A hotel cook is able now to retire on $10,000, and a man who has walked the streets with well ventilated clothing can now call $[illegible],000 his own.

[illegible] Kill, of Port Jervis, N. Y., [illegible] watch in a tin box in a [illegible] which was hidden away in a [illegible] cellar. Finally he persuaded the occupant of the house to let him investigate. He found the watch, but [illegible] the owner of the house claimed it [illegible] own.

A band of strolling [illegible] are giving some queer entertainments in New Jersey. They offer a number of premiums, one of which is a load of [illegible] wood to the laziest man in town. The winner [illegible] by a committee of three young [illegible] and it is said that he invariably accepts the wood.

A child was recently born at the Emergency hospital, New York city, without a mouth. The physicians made an incision cutting through the flesh and at once a membrane which connected the upper and lower jaws. Plugs of pressed cotton were then put between the jaw bones to prevent them from uniting in healing. The appearance of the mouth is now quite natural.

Recently a man appeared at the Bank of England, London, with a bag containing £1,000 worth of four penny bits [illegible] year 1858, which he got changed for gold. He explained that they were a legacy from his grandmother, who had a passion for collecting four penny pieces. Next morning he reappeared in a very excited state of mind and asked for the four pennys back for [illegible]. "I am told that the jeweler will give a shilling apiece for them." It was lately informed that the coins had been distributed.

SAYINGS OF YOUNG FOLKS

We heard the other day of a woman who was putting up cherries when her little daughter [illegible] and said: "Oh mamma, lemme help [illegible] those cherries, can't I?"—Dansville Era.

Little Lulu of Brooklyn, at 3, made a visit to the country. She enjoyed all the new things until one day she was stung by a hornet. She ran with distressing cries to her mother, in reply to whose inquiries she said: "O mamma, I burned my on a big fly."

"I wish you had manners," said Robbie's mother despairingly, looking at her infant son with reproving eyes. "I've got all you ever taught me," responded the young hopeful, "but I do get so awful tired using 'em. That's why I'm bad sometimes."—Boston Record.

Our small boy, 4 next month, striking a distressing attitude with his hand on his abdomen, thus explains to papa what were his sensations when mamma found it necessary to rebuke him very sharply: "It made the feelin's all come all up fru my tummuc!"—Babyhood.

A well known doctor of divinity not now living was like many of us, reticent on the subject of age, and his youthful grandson was like other children curious about the same subject. At the table one day out burst the question: "Grandfather, how old are you?" How plainly I hear the familiar, deliberate accents: "Why, Eddie, I am more than 60." "What! More than 60, and not dead yet?"—Boston Record.

Before Willie K——'s cousin Bertha arrived at his home with her parents on a summer visit his mother had told him to observe how graceful and polite her manners were, especially at table. When she came Willie observed her therefore with admiring interest. One day his mother said: "Do you see how nicely Bertha conducts herself, Willie?" "Yes, mamma." "Don't you think her manners are rather better than yours?" "Yes, mamma, and I guess I know why." "Why is it, my dear?" "Probably Bertha has been better brought up than I have."—Youth's Companion.

Phil had to speak at a Sunday school concert not long ago and the poor little soul was taken with stage fright as soon as he had made his bow before the ecclesiastical footlights. He finally had to give it up and he trotted down the aisle to his mother again, overcome with shame. After a few minutes the superintendent called his name a second time. Phil pulled himself together and once more marched bravely to the front. He made a mighty effort to speak his little piece, but his mouth and chin quivered so that the words couldn't be heard. He retreated to his mother once more. "Why, darling," she whispered, putting her arm around him, "why didn't you say your verses?" "Mamma," he replied, totally unconscious of any slang, "I just couldn't. I had to give my chin a rest."—Boston Record.

There is a little story which the historian has reason to believe has been crystalized in a single family ever since the big fire of 1872, and is as yet new to the types. That great conflagration made the fortunes of some and destroyed those of others. The family here referred to were severely crippled by the calamity and were forced to economize in every practicable way until the business that maintained them got on its feet again. They moved into a small house in the suburbs and the children of the family were denied many luxuries to which they had been accustomed. A month or two after the [illegible] a baby was born to the household, and was duly presented to little Ellen, a 6-year old daughter of the house. "How do you like him, Ellen?" she was asked. "Oh, he's very nice, but——" "But what?" "Oh, he's so awful little!" "But then, I suppose he's as big as we can afford now."—Boston Record.

ABOUT WOMEN

A young lady in New Jersey is named Belle A. Donough.

Abram S. Hewitt's daughter Amy is going to be married.

Ladies' sleeping cars with porteresses are being talked of.

Ex Empress Eugenie has lost hope in the Napoleonic outlook in France.

Of eighty girls recently landed at Castle Garden fifty two were red headed.

Lady Randolph Churchill is the first American woman who has ever occupied the place of lady in waiting upon the queen.

Mrs. Cleveland seems to have learned the true secret of health and beauty. She passes much of her time in pedestrian exercise.

Mrs. Miles, the wife of Geronimo's captor, is in Washington for the winter. She is living with her sister, Mrs. Don Cameron.

Mme. Lafitta, of Paris, who advertises that she has an infallible specific to make hair grow, is so bald that she has to wear a wig.

Mrs. Cleveland will be assisted in her receptions this winter by the Misses Manning, Endicott, Vilas and Lamar, all lovely young ladies.

Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw, of Boston, has established twenty kindergartens and seven day [illegible], which require a yearly expenditure of $50,000.

A Harrisburg (Pa.) young lady, while on a visit to the country, caught a flying squirrel. Having no cage she made one of her bustle in which to carry it home.

"We kin manage to scrape up $50 or $60 a month from the passengers," says a sleeping car porter, "if there ain't too many women among 'em. We never get anything out of them."

Mrs. Frank Whitridge, the eldest daughter of Matthew Arnold, will be seen in New York society this winter. She is a dainty little lady with the bluest of blue eyes and brown hair.

Mrs. Folsom, who is an experienced housekeeper, will be put in charge of the president's country place, originally known as Forest Hill, then named Pretty Prospect and hereafter to be called Red Top.

An old settlers' meeting in Wayne county, [illegible] silk dress was recently offered as a prize to the mother of the largest family. It was [illegible] a venerable but vigorous matron who had reared eighteen sons and daughters.

[illegible] ornaments are the latest thing with Japanese ladies. The empress of Japan not only has introduced European dress in her court, but has also ordered from Berlin a diamond diadem worth several hundred thousand marks.

Colored Base Ball League

PITTSBURG, [illegible].—The National Colored Base Ball league has been organized in this city, the following clubs being represented: Pittsburg, W. T. Brown and [illegible] Preston; Washington, N. M. Williams; Philadelphia, R. G. Still and Robert A. [illegible]; Cincinnati, J. W. Fowler; Baltimore, J. J. Collis. The Louisville representative telegraphed that he would be here to-day, while Cleveland and Boston were represented by proxy. A temporary organization was effected by electing N. M. Williams chairman and J. W. Gatewood secretary. The delegates then went into secret session, the result of which could not be ascertained.

Bill Nye Writes to Edwin Booth.

LITTLE MAMMOTH EATING HOUSE,
VALERIAN, O., Nov. 10, 1886.

FRIEND BOOTH: I learn with some surprise that through a misunderstanding between your manager and my own you are billed for Cleveland on the same evening with Mr. Riley and myself.

In order to give the people of Cleveland an opportunity to witness two of America's greatest tragedians without inconvenience, I have decided to change my own date, so as to avoid any annoyance by dividing the audience. Sentiment in Cleveland, I find, is about equally divided on the question of dramatic and tragic interpretation between you and I. Some like your style of melancholy best, while those who have used mine say they would have no other. So I think it would be better to give each and all an opportunity to judge fairly and impartially between us.

I believe that while your stage sadness is the perfection of masterly interpretation, it is not entered into so thoroughly and participated in by the audience as mine is. I am introducing this winter a style of sad that is becoming quite popular and brings tears to eyes unused to weep.

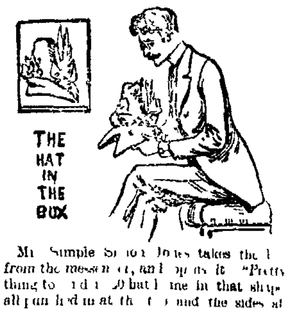
Everywhere I go I hear you very highly spoken of, however. I think you are giving general satisfaction wherever you go. I will try to go and hear you at Cleveland. I have read the play before so it will not be new to me, but I would enjoy going very much and my presence might induce others to go. It does not matter much where I sit. You can put me wherever you think I would attract the most attention.

After the performance is over I will come back on the stage and congratulate you.

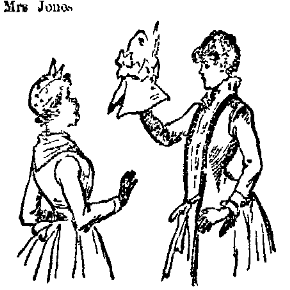
Hoping that you are well and that the awkward conflict of our dates may be satisfactorily adjusted so that your pecuniary loss will be merely nominal, I remain yours with kind regards,

BILL NYE.

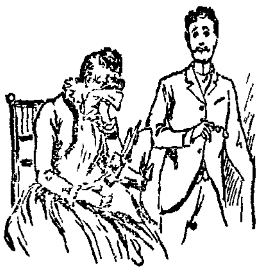
Just Like a Man


THE HAT IN THE BOX

Mr. Simple Simon Jones takes the [illegible] from the messenger, and opens it. "Pretty thing to send [illegible] but [illegible] in that shape, all punched in at the top and the sides all bent. It's well my wife didn't see it." Then he deliberately seats himself and proceeds to straighten it out and make it presentable. This done he gives it to the girl to take to Mrs. Jones.



"'Pon my word and honor, I lib [illegible] dat's de berry way he gibbed it to me to give to yer, dis yer minute."



"Oh, you cruel, heartless wretch! You have ruined my hat! To think that I ever married such a monster! I shall go home to my mother, so I shall!"—Harper's Bazar.

Omahahas

Mr. Winks—Great Scott! There comes Jinks. He has a bill against me. Tell him I am out. Mrs. Winks—Well, I'll tell him you have just gone down town to pay a bill. Mr. Winks—No, no. He'll know you're lying then. Tell him something he can believe. Mrs. Winks—Well, I'll tell him you're on another spree, dear.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Little Nellie—What does your papa do? Little Dot—My papa is a horse doctor. L. N.—I guess I better not play with you. I'm afraid you don't belong in our set. L. D.—Why, what does your papa do? L. N.—My papa is a veterinary surgeon.

THE NEEDS OF A MODERN ACTRESS.

Great Actress—I see the heroine [illegible] play starts as a street beggar. Author—Y[illegible] but— G. A.—It is an excellent [illegible] throughout and I will [illegible] must make a change in the first part. A.—Certainly, anything you wish. G. A.—W[illegible] put in a few lines to explain that the [illegible] I wear while begging are [illegible] and that they are a present from [illegible].—Omaha World.

His Appetite

"Pa, [illegible] got his appetite [illegible]" hasn't [illegible] mamma asked a [illegible] 5-year old the other day.

"I'm afraid not, my [illegible]," replied a good mother. "He didn't eat anything [illegible] day." "But why [illegible]?"

"'Cause I heard [illegible] tell Mr. Brown [illegible] he can [illegible] him [illegible] a goat [illegible] I didn't know [illegible]—"

"Run along into the next room, little girl. I think I hear [illegible] now and mamma [illegible]."—Detroit Free Press.

Took Him at His Word

Seems rather small [illegible] I [illegible] ort ter know more bout [illegible] me.

Too small! By gracious [illegible] peeg enough for two [illegible] you.

Two of em! Yer [illegible] yer tryin' [illegible] on me—[illegible] too big [illegible] Now yer haul [illegible] that [illegible] yer up [illegible].—Harper's Weekly.

Kindred Souls

"Can you [illegible] to [illegible] lodging and breakfast with it?" he [illegible] not——"

"Can't [illegible] I haven't a cent [illegible] pocket."

"Well," said the tramp, "I know how to sympathize with you. I used to be an artist myself once."—New York Sun.